



*The
Parade*

1956

Elizabeth S. Rogers

May 4, 1956

This Parade was dedicated to Carl Sandburg personally by Wilma Hill in a special assembly in the school auditorium on Thursday, May 3rd.

In that assembly, also, Mr. Sandburg presented Otis Jones with a six thousand dollars scholarship from the Johnson Motor Lines of Charlotte as the result of the National Merit Scholarship examination. Otis was one of five hundred and twenty-five who won from a total of sixty thousand.

This program was broadcast over Hendersonville WHKP and a Life photographer was present.

The

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*No debt he owed to wealth or birth;
By force of solid, honest worth
He climbed the topmost height of fame,
And wrote thereon a spotless name.*

—John H. Bryant

PRESENTED BY

THE SENIOR CLASS

OF

FLAT ROCK HIGH SCHOOL

FLAT ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA



Foreword

The name of Abraham Lincoln is imperishable, immortal; can never fade from the pages of history or grow dim with the lapse of time.

Had this lowly born Kentucky boy been ushered into the world centuries ago in England, doubtless he would have become the father of a royal family, the founder of a kingly dynasty, the pioneer of a courtly line whose proudest boast would be to acclaim him their progenitor.

Fortunately he belongs to modern time and sprang from the loins of a democratic race in a young and democratic country, around whose virgin brow he twined the garlands of a never-fading luster.

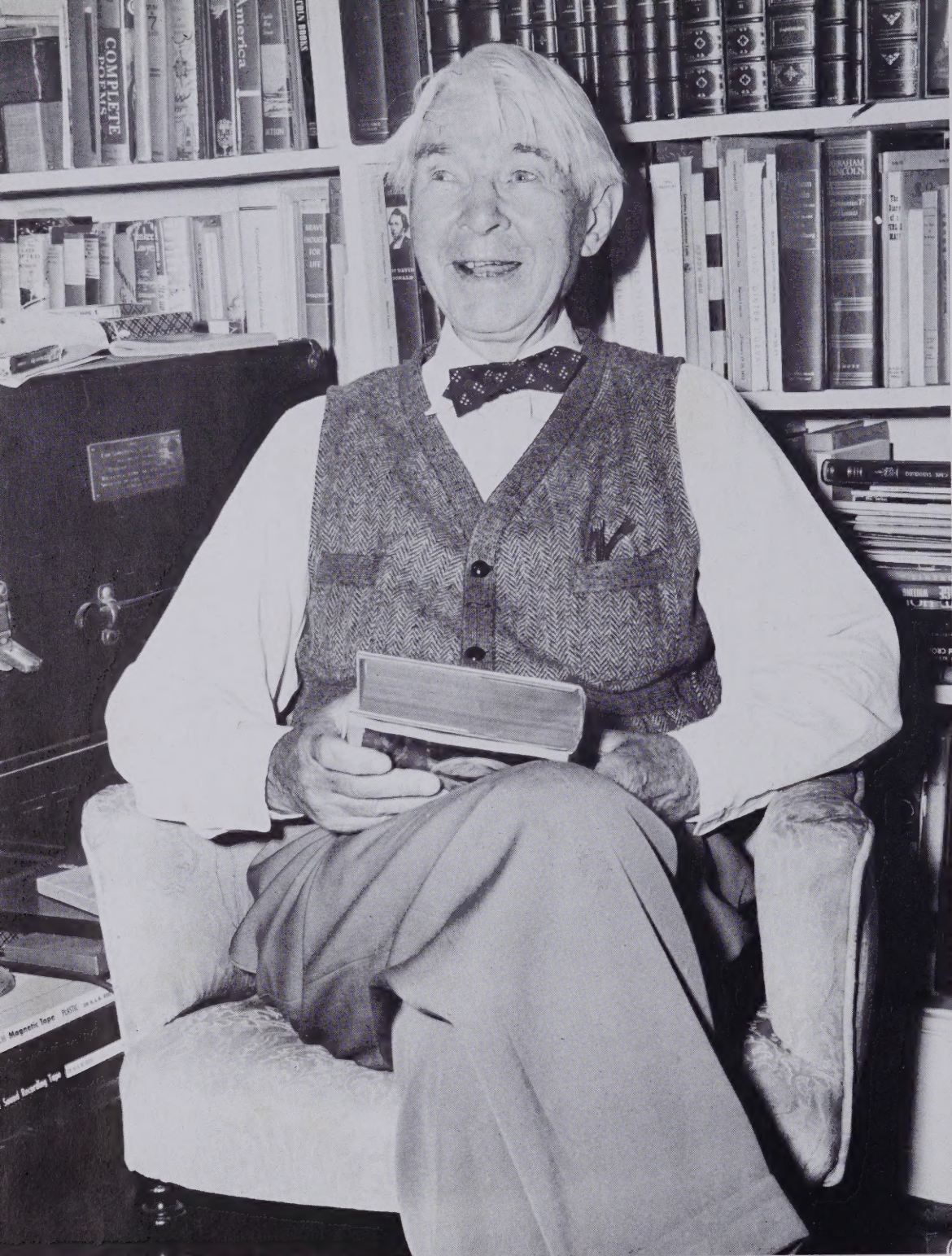
His fame is America's, but his glory belongs to the world, and humanity is proud to honor him as one of the noblest among the sons of men.

From: Abraham Lincoln's Religion by Madison C. Peters.



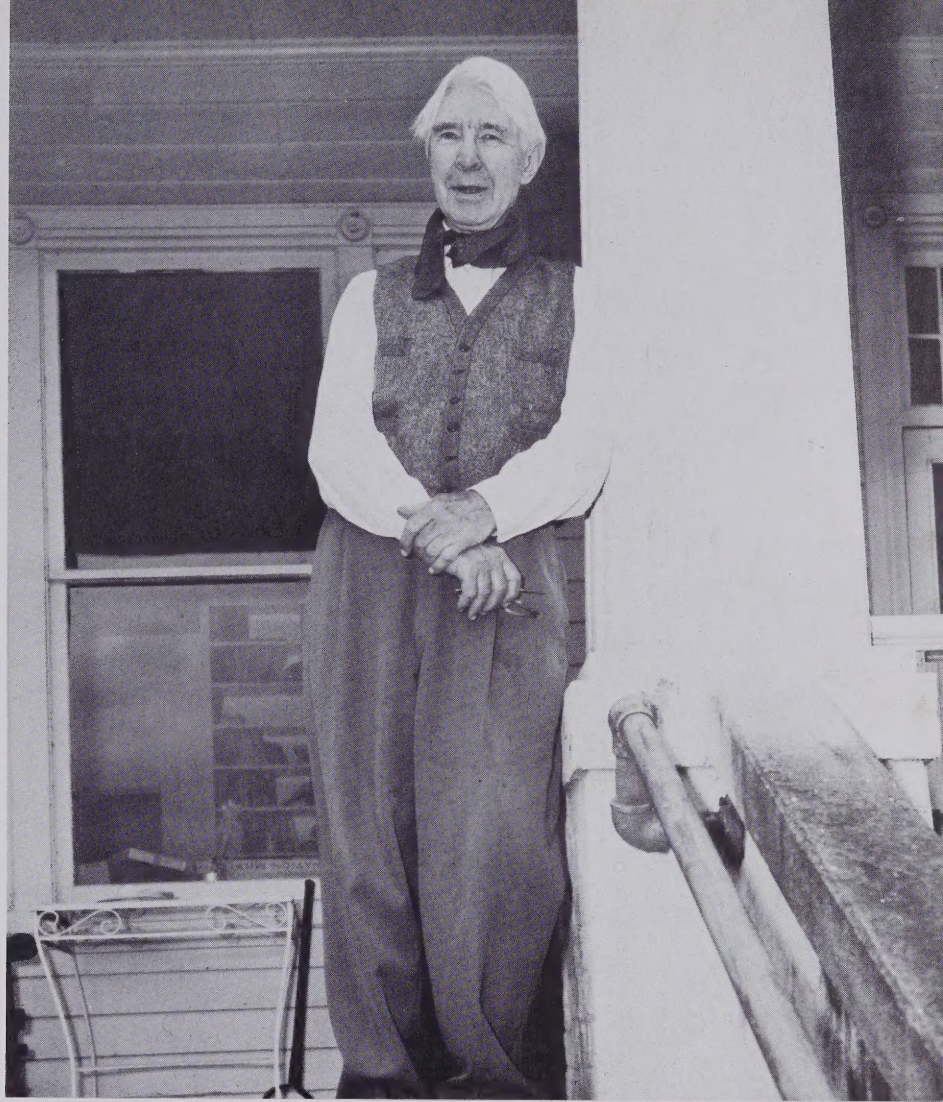
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Carl Sandburg

Dedication



His rugged, kindly face is known to millions. His deep, melodious voice is heard in all the lands of the world. The poor and the humble of the world love him; the great and the powerful pay him homage.

But to us he is more than the famous man of letters. He is our neighbor and our friend. Since he moved to his home, "just across the way", he has talked with us, has sung for us, and has read many of his own poems for us. He has told us that we are his school.

He has helped us immeasurably in the preparation of this book. He has given us freely of his valuable time. Because of him this issue of the Parade will be very highly cherished by everyone who owns a copy.

Those who turn these pages and see the pictures of him, posed with our own boys and girls in his home, will surely realize that his greatness is not alone in his works of literature. These pictures show a different kind of greatness—a greatness of soul, which gives him the ability to make the young folks feel comfortable and at home in his presence.

So, with gratitude for the privilege of knowing him, we dedicate the 1956 PARADE TO CARL SANDBURG.



Administration

PRINCIPAL, MR. E. L. JUSTUS, whose service to Flat Rock students has been given with genuine devotion. Mr. Justus has helped us wholeheartedly in all our extra-curricular activities. We have seen the midnight oil burning brightly in his office innumerable times, and we all know why his Studebaker has seen its best days. His encouragement, his untiring efforts to make us happy, and his willingness to lend us his guidance, merit our sincere appreciation.

Faculty

Here are the ones who instruct us. From 8:30 A.M. till 3:30 P.M. they seek to give us knowledge in many different fields—and to help us build character that will make us better citizens for our community and nation.

We, the students, would like to say so many nice things; but here are two words which are an attempt to express our feelings—THANK YOU.

MRS. CATHERINE M. CRAWFORD is our very efficient instructor in French and also one of our eighth grade teachers. Her courteous ways often get a French flavor—"Excusez-moi."

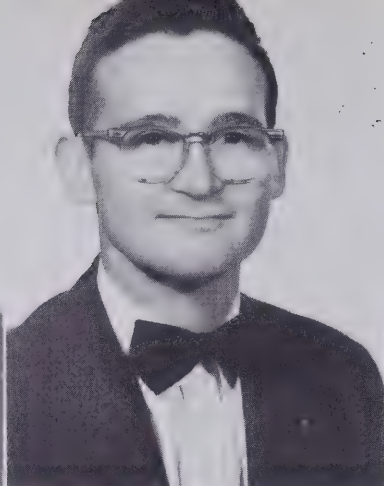




Davidson



Franklin



Freeman



Goss

MRS. MARGARET DAVIDSON, our home economics teacher, spends much time, energy, and patience in guiding our future homemakers in getting practical knowledge for modern living.

MR. W. A. FRANKLIN, affectionately known as "Uncle Bill", ably directs the training of our future farmers. He willingly lends a helping hand to any enterprise that needs his assistance.

MR. REX FREEMAN has classes in English and geography and coaches the girls' basketball team. His happy sense of humor has made him a favorite with the students.

MRS. KATHERINE GOSS has given many of us a better understanding of the functions of our government, the present social problems and everyday happenings. Her teaching schedule includes—civics, general business, economics, and sociology.

Faculty

MR. H. A. HASELTINE is one of our math teachers with classes in general math, plane and solid geometry, and trigonometry. He is always glad to help us understand some difficult problem.

MR. DAVID HUFF is another of our eighth grade teachers. He makes our school a happier place by directing our glee club. He has won a large place in our hearts.

MR. EARL KILPATRICK, who wholeheartedly puts himself into his classes which include world history and biology, has the respect and admiration of every student at Flat Rock. He also serves as the school librarian. The annual staff of '56 will always remember his willing assistance, as our sponsor, in editing the Parade.

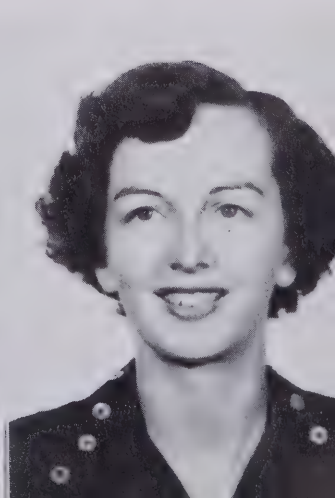
MRS. DOROTHY C. MEADOR is our commercial teacher with classes in typing, shorthand, and bookkeeping. She also serves as bookkeeper for the school. She is a friend to all.

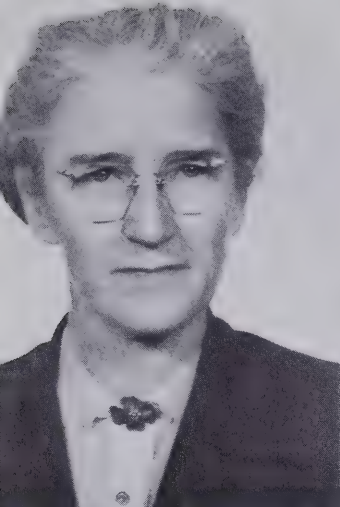
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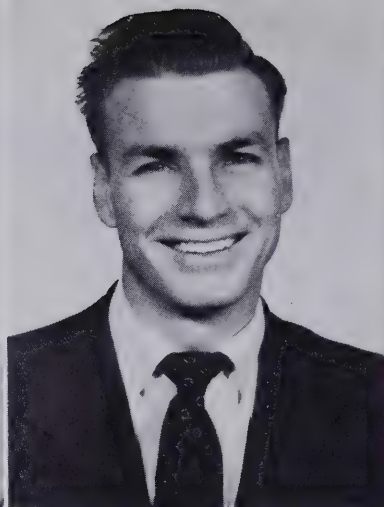




Osteen



Reid



Richardson



E. Rogers

MISS GARDENIA OSTEEN has classes in Algebra and general business. She has won our respect because of her genuine interest in the students and her faithfulness and thoroughness in her work.

MISS GWEN REID is our science expert. She teaches classes in general science, biology, and chemistry. Her enthusiasm for her work is contagious.

MR. DAVID RICHARDSON also teaches the eighth grade students. Although he has been with us only a short time he has won many friends with his warm and sincere greeting.

MRS. ELIZABETH ROGERS is always ready to give her time in helping us with any problem we have. She teaches American history, civics, and North Carolina history. She is the faculty advisor for the student council.

MR. NEIL ROGERS is our physical education instructor and coach for the boys' basketball and baseball teams. It is easy to understand why he is one of the busiest persons around the school.

MRS. SUSIE S. SINCLAIR devotes herself most sincerely to the task of helping us to learn and use good English. All of the students look forward to the time when they will have senior English under our beloved Mrs. Sinclair.

MR. JAMES R. STEWART, JR. is another of our English teachers and quite naturally he is the sponsor of our school newspaper, The Rocket. He is concerned with helping us to appreciate good literature.

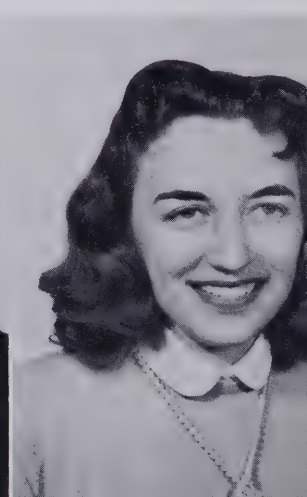
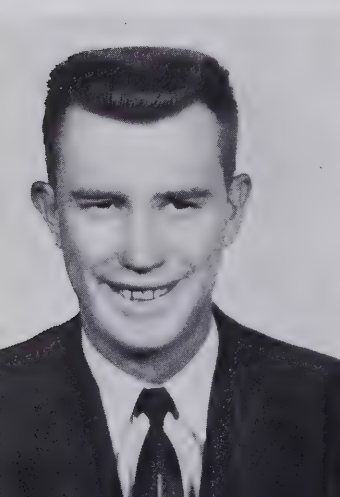
MISS BETTY THOMPSON teaches English, and health and physical education to the ninth grade girls. She is interested in helping us to be well-rounded and happy in life.

N. Rogers

Sinclair

Stewart

Thompson



Senior Class Officers



Here Mr. Sandburg welcomes the senior class officers to see his home. They are President, Wilma Hill; Vice President, Jimmy Cox; Secretary-Treasurer, Betty McGinnis.



1952 was a year to remember for a group of students who became known as Freshmen. From the exactness of Algebra I, the newness of shop and home economics, and oh! those poetry notebooks, we survived to the time when Billy Drake, Wilma Hill, and Bruce McMahan were chosen to lead us through our carefree Sophomore year.

From try-outs for the basketball squad to dissecting a long gruesome "Thing" known as a worm, we hear Mrs. Sinclair's favorite joke, "Tee hee, is that you Brutus?"

Eagerly we started our Junior year. Class meetings became more frequent with the passing of each day. The Beta Club gained 18 new members in an impressive assembly program. Several things stand out quite vividly in our minds: lugging our French books by force of habit, meeting Mr. Haseltine in Uncle Bill's divine quarters for our favorite subject—plane geometry, studying American literature but learning an awful lot about Germany, Mrs. Rogers rattling off dates (remember 1607?) and that ever present problem of "money making schemes".

From our disappointment in the basketball tournament we

plunged wholeheartedly into our Junior play.

The thrill and excitement of receiving our class rings was the "most" and we shall never forget our Junior-Senior. The gym was in all its beauty carrying out the theme "Moods of the Sea".

We said good-bye to summer and its many memories and began our last year at F. R. H.

New officers were elected and Billy Drake began his duties as the president of the Student Body.

Mr. Kilpatrick had the Parade Staff in a daze trying to meet our deadline. Of course, Otis had his financial difficulties.

We all looked forward to the big day for our Senior Trip.

When college bulletins began rolling in we heard the familiar question, "Where are you going to college?"

As we neared the end of our Senior year, diplomas were signed, caps and gowns were measured, and invitations were sent to our many friends.

Finally the big night arrived and we were proud to be the class of '56.

Senior English Class

Mrs. Sinclair's senior English classes have gained great fame at Flat Rock.



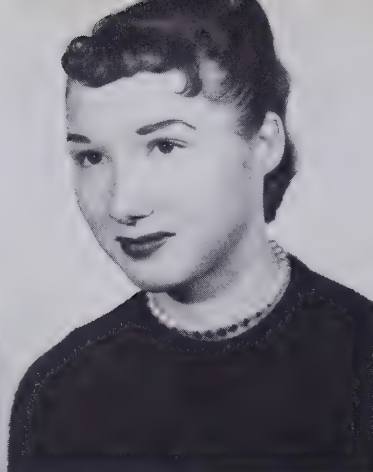


Anders

BARBARA LEE ANDERS

Quiet — Louise's Shadow — Timid — Juliet

Library Assistant 2, 4; FTA 4; Receptionists 4.

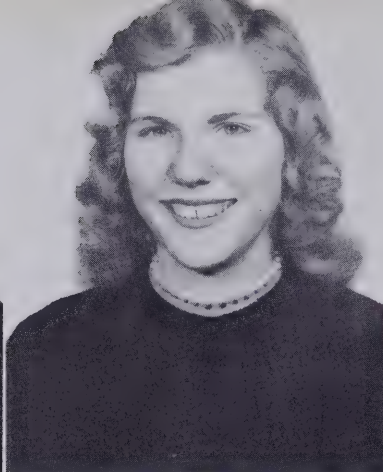


Anders

MONTIE LEE ANDERS

Red hair — Figure 8 — teams with Ruby

FHA 1, 2, 3; Student Council; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Rocket Staff 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; FTA 4.

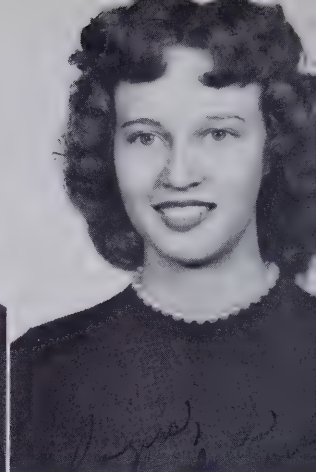


Barnwell

REBA ANN BARNWELL

Hoops galore — sings like a bird

FHA 1, 2, 4; Receptionists 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Rocket Staff 3; FTA 4.



Belcher

CAROLYN GRACE BELCHER

Clothes — Ready — Willing

Jonesville: Library Club 1, 2, Sec. 2; Glee Club 2; FHA 2; Science Club 2; Photography Club 2. FLAT ROCK: Honor Student 3; Rocket Staff 3; Snack Bar 3; FHA 3, 4, Pianist 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Beta Club 3, 4.

Seniors

THELMA CAROLYN BENNISON

Sweet — neat — Considerate

Snack Bar 3; Rocket 3; Glee Club 3, 4.

THELMA PHOEBE BLACKWELL

Studios — French fan — Likeable

Student Council 2, 3, 4, Sec. Treas. 3, 4; Beta Club 3, 4, Vice President 3, 4, Vice President Western District 3; Snack Bar 3; Rocket Staff Editor 3; Receptionists 3, 4; FTA 4; Sec. 4; Most Intellectual 4.

Bennison

Blackwell

MARY FRANCES BLYTHE

Well dressed — Willing to work — Blue eyes

FHA 1, 2; Library Assistants 3; Snack Bar 3; Rocket Staff 3; Receptionists 3, 4; Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; FTA 4; Best Dressed 4.

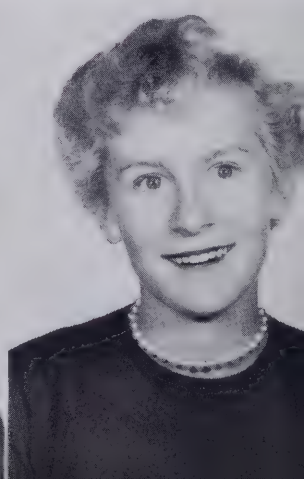
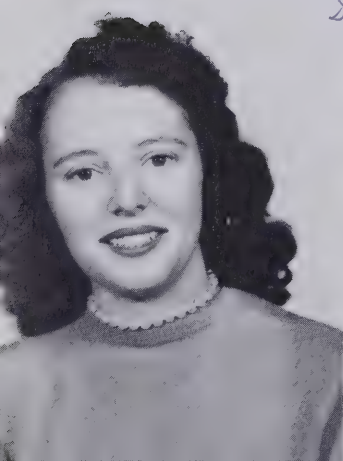
ANNA LOU BURNS

Happy-go-lucky — Blond

FHA 1, 4; Snack Bar 3; Rocket Staff 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; FTA 4.

Blythe

Burns

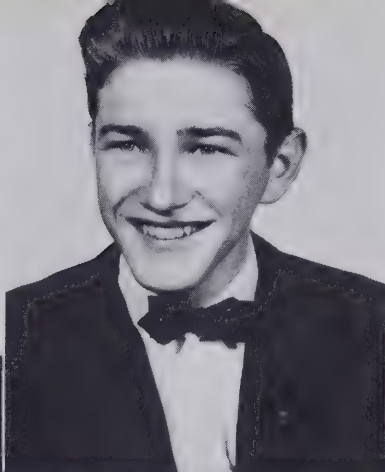




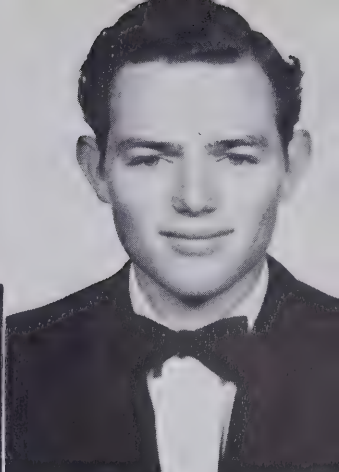
Cantrell



Cantrell



Capps



Case

LUCILLE FREIDA CANTRELL

Engaged — sparkling eyes — sweet

NORRIS JULIAN CAPPS

Easy going — avoids homework — John

FFA 2, 4; Class Pest 4.

MARY LOUISE CANTRELL

Barbara's twin — industrious — quiet ways

Library Assistant 2, 3.

KENNETH DWIGHT CASE

Nonchalant — "Mumbles" — Me-e-ow

Homestead: FFA 1, 2; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 2, 3; Boys Social Club 3; Planning Committee 3; Pep Club 2, 3. Flat Rock: Glee Club 4; FFA 1, 2; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3.

ROLAND EUGENE CASE

Romeo — A & P — speed demon

FFA 1, 2, 3, 4, Treasurer 4; Baseball 2.

JAMES DELANO COX

Well known golfer—big leaguer—look for him at Brunswick—shooting pool

Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 3; Glee Club 3; Dramatics 3; Rocket Staff 3; Sports Editor 3; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Vice President 4; Most Popular 4.

DORIS PAULINE COCHRANE

H'ville — engaged — go-getter

FHA 1; Glee Club 3.

WILLIAM CARL DRAKE

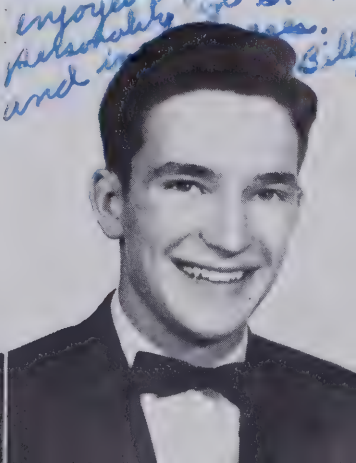
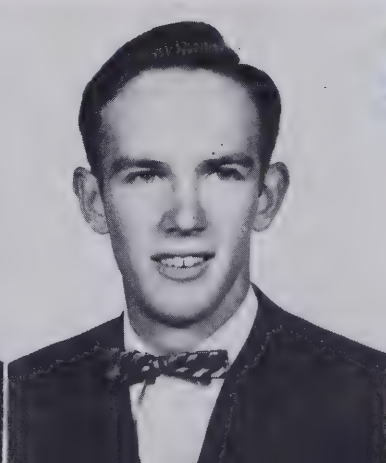
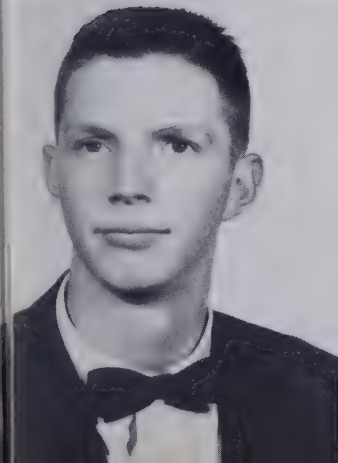
Friend to all — winning personality — trade first period

Hallowe'en Carnival King 1; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice President 3, President 4; Class President 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Baseball 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; Rocket Staff 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Glee Club, 3, 4; Best All Around 4.

Case

Cochrane

Cox



*Best wishes
to a great
teacher. Enjoy
your
Seniors
class
any other
day.*

*The best
thing
I've
enjoyed
most
and in
D.C.
Bill*

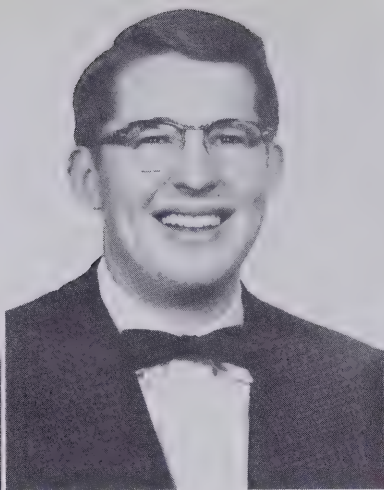


Duncan

MILDRED JANE DUNCAN

Jovial — happy-go-lucky — John Brown

Receptionists 4.

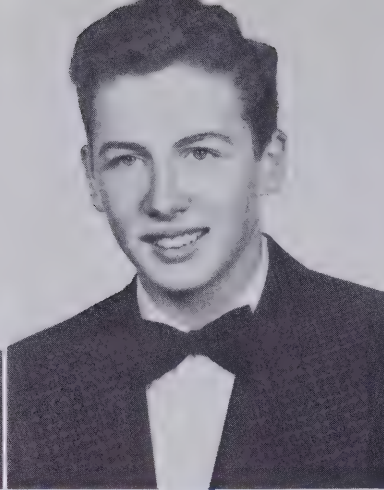


Durham

ROBERT LEROY DURHAM

Likes math — ambitious — capable

FFA 1, 2, 3, 4, President 3; Student Council 1, 2; Beta Club 3, 4; Honor Student 2; Most likely to succeed 4.



Edwards

THOMAS ROLLINS EDWARDS

Fun is his hobby — gigglebox — witty

Student Council 3; Glee Club 3; Rocket Staff 3; Asst. Ed. 3; Carnival King 3; Dramatics 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; FTA 4; Wittiest 4.



Erwin

JANE ANN ERWIN

Talk, talk, talk — Liberate fan — male trouble

FHA 1, 2; Cheerleader 2; Monogram Club 2, 3; Snack Bar 3; Basketball 3; Rocket Staff 3; Dramatics 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; FTA 4; Song Leader 4; Best Figure 4.

Seniors

VIRGINIA ANN ERWIN

Captivating eyes — Fox Theatre — Lincoln

FHA 2, 3, Treasurer 3; Glee Club 3; Rocket Staff 3.

NANCY VERA ANN GREER

"Lefty" — Greenville bound — Thomas

Snack Bar 3; Dramatics 3; Rocket Staff 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Pest 4; Wittiest 4; Receptionists 4.

MOLLY LORA FREEMAN

Marines — writes letters — cut-up

Snack Bar 3; Rocket Staff 3; Glee Club 3, 4; FHA 4.

KITTY MAE HARDIN

"Kitten" — capable — quick

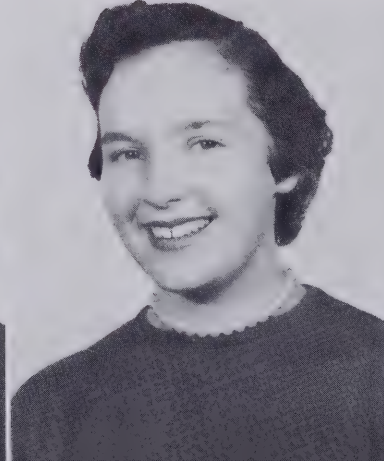
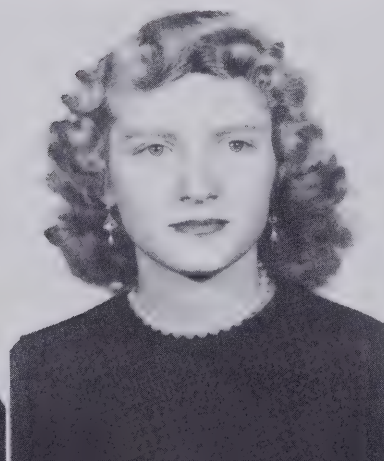
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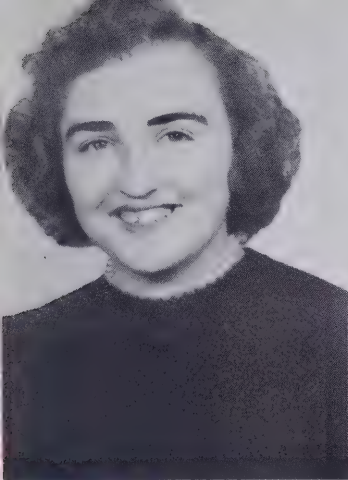
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Freeman

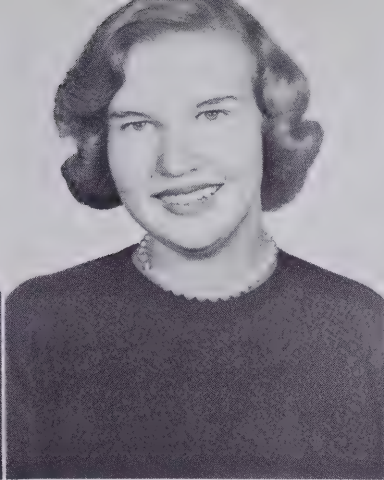
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Hardin





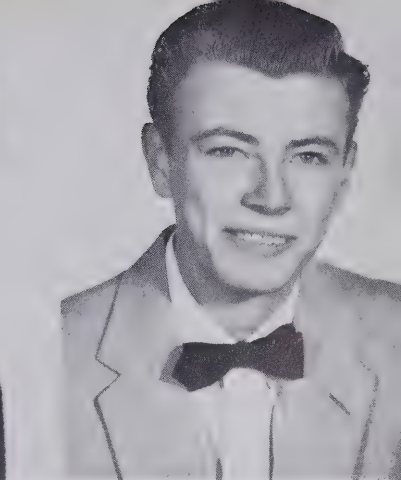
Haynes



Hill



Hill



Hoots

BETTY LOU HAYNES

Woolworth's — Freida's chum — congenial

WILMA MAE HILL

Pretty — intelligent — always smiling

Student Council 2, 3, 4; Class Pres. 3, 4, Class Vice Pres. 3; Receptionists 2; Library Assistant 2, 3; Rocket Staff 3; Snack Bar 3; Beta Club 3, 4, President 4; Annual Staff 3, 4, Assistant Editor 3, Editor 4; Miss Hi Miss 4.

DEANNA SELMA HILL

"Got any gum?" — everybody's pal — natural

FHA 1, 2; Library Assistant 2, 3, 4; Snack Bar 3; Pep Club 3, FTA 4.

ELMER CHARLES HOOTS

Cute — smoking — Herbert's twin

Dana High School: FFA 1, 2; Flat Rock: Baseball 3, 4; Cutest 4.

Seniors

HARRY JOHN HOXIT

His own Ford — athletic — physique

FFA 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice President 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 3; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Baseball 3; Most Athletic 4; Best Physique 4.

BETTY FRANCES JOHNSON

Petite — dark — forever up to something

Glee Club 3; Snack Bar 3.

JEANETTE MARIE JACKSON

Reserved — big brown eyes — sweet

Quietest 4.

MARY LOUISE JOHNSON

Always on time — a willing worker

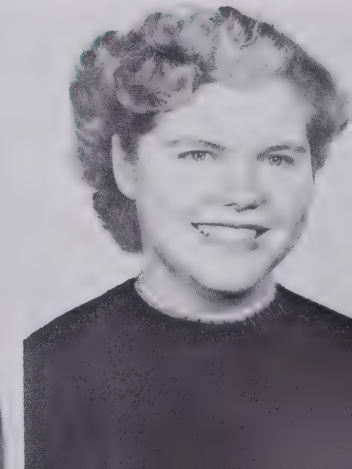
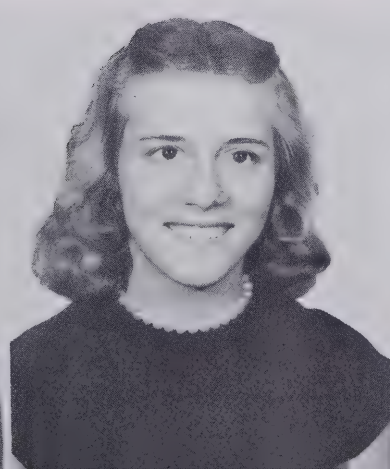
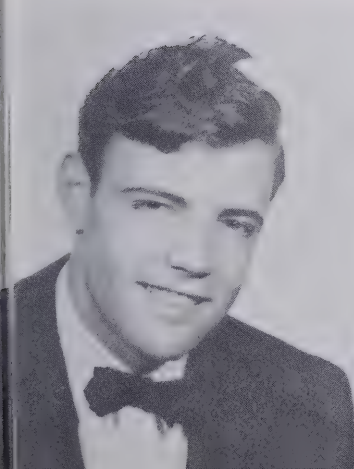
Beta Club 3, 4; Rocket Staff 3; Dramatics 3; Honor Student 3.

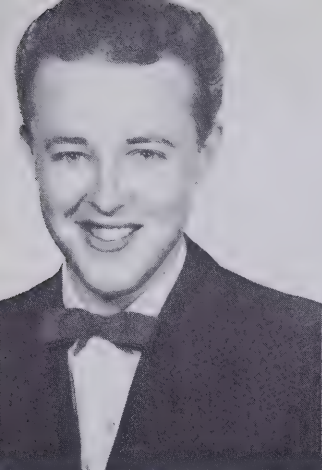
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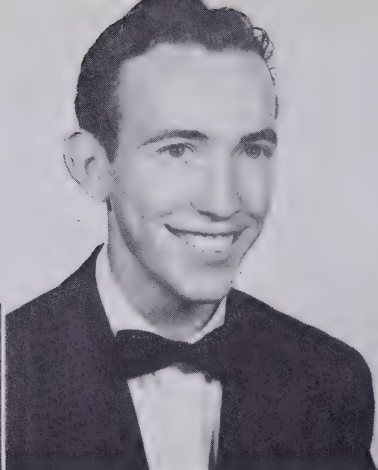
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Jones



Justice

OTIS WILLIAM JONES

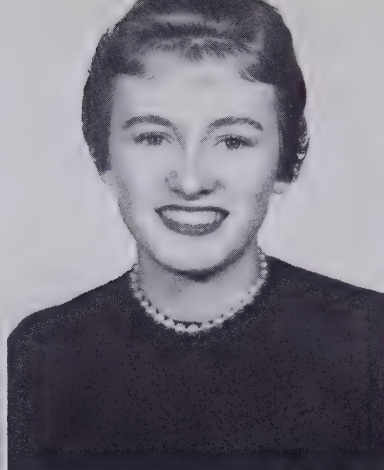
Cardinal fan — angel hair — brain

Student Council 1, 2, 3; Library Asst. 1; Asst. Bus. Mgr. Parade 3, Bus. Mgr. 4; Rocket Staff 3, Copy Editor 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Most Intellectual 4.

DONALD CLIFTON JUSTICE

Myrtis — takes life seriously — John's friend

Basketball 1, 2, 3; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; FFA 2, 3, Secretary 3, 4.



Justus

Mrs. Rogers

Justus

ANNETTE JUSTUS

Cute as a button — old rocking chair's got me

Hallowe'en Carnival Queen 1; Apple Festival Representative 2; FHA 1, 2, 3; Rocket Staff 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Prefect 4.

MARTHA ERNESTINE JUSTUS

Dependable — fun loving — born with a step

FFA 1, 2; Snack Bar 3; Rocket Staff 3; Dramatics 3; Annual Staff 3, 4; Asst. Lit. Ed. 3; Lit. Ed. 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Beta Club 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Monogram Club 4.

Seniors

BARBARA SUE KUYKENDALL

Poetical — song bird — beautiful hands

Glee Club 3, 4.

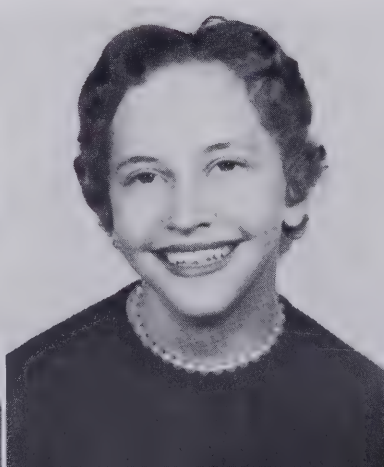
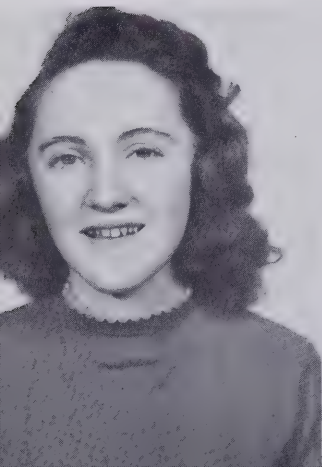
VERA JO ANN LEWIS

Queen of Tuxedo — flirt — goldilocks

FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Snack Bar 3, Manager 3; Rocket Staff 3.

Kuykendall

Lewis

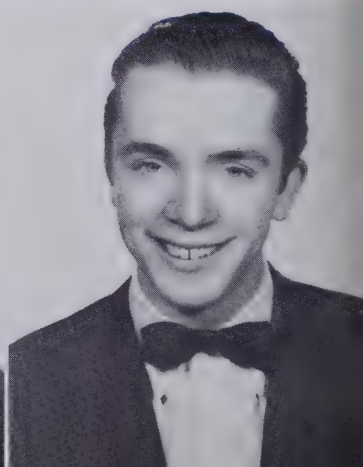


Lockaby

RABON MONROE MAYBIN

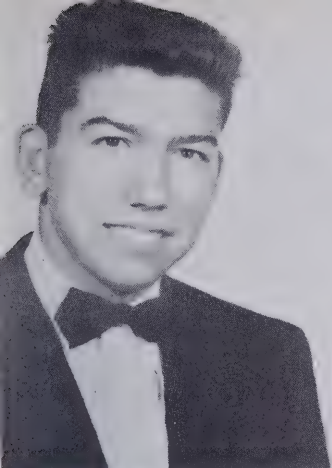
Skipping classes — daydreamer — former Boy

FFA 1, 2, 3, 4.



I'll always think of you as one of my favorite teachers and friends. (With a little bit of a twist in Shepherd St.) I have been going a long way with you this year. You have meant so much to me and my school career. Please remember me when I'm away and struggling in college. Best of luck to a wonderful person.

March



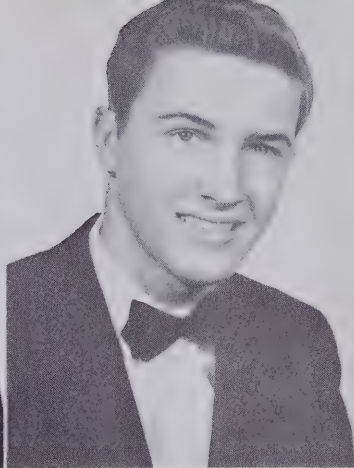
McCarson



McClure



McGinnis



McMahan

TILLMAN DESAWYER MCCARSON

Good sport — sparkling personality — a great friend

FFA 1; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 3, 4; Glee Club 3; Monogram Club 3, 4; Best Personality 4.

ETHEL ELIZABETH MCGINNIS

Friends galore — dimples — personality

FHA 1; Class Sec. 2, 3, 4; Snack Bar 3; Basketball Mgr. 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Student Council 2; Annual Staff 4; Beta Club 3, 4; Monogram Club 4; Apple Festival Representative 4; Best All Around 4.

RACHEL MCCLURE

Sense of humor — Mystery girl — lots of fun

DAVID BRUCE McMAHAN

Uh-h-y-e-a-h! Mental — Future

Student Council 1, 2; Dramatics 3; Rocket Staff 3; Most Handsome 4.

Seniors

SARA ELLEN MORGAN

Quiet ways — conscientious — good student

Library Assistant 3.

CHARLES EDWIN SEXTON

Stag parties — neat — everybody's pal

FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Best Dressed 4.

HELEN RACHEL OSTEEN

Eager — legs — keep it gay

FHA 1, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Snack Bar 3; Glee Club 3, 4.

RUBY CAROLEE SMITH

Striking — friendly — powder puff voice

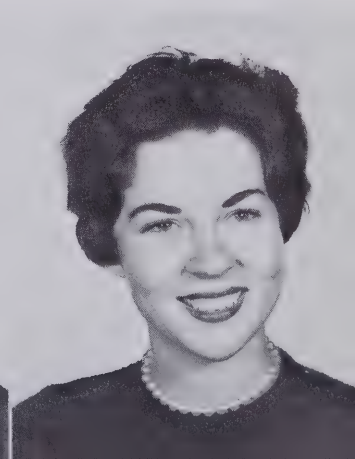
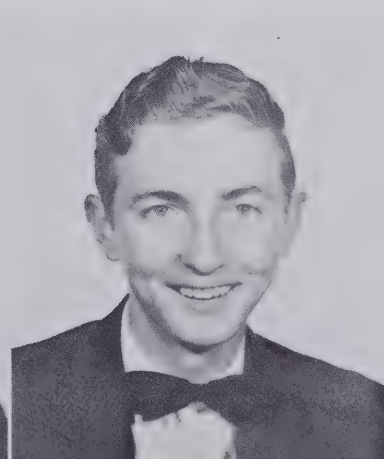
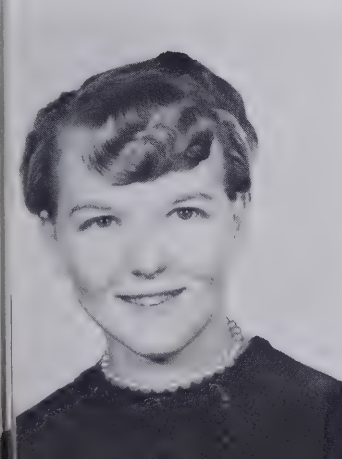
FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Song Leader 4; Annual Staff 3; Rocket Staff 3; Dramatics 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Basketball 4; FTA 4; Parliamentarian 4.

Morgan

Osteen

Sexton

Smith





Trantham



Vaughn



Warlick



Ward

HARRY CURTIS TRANTHAM

Attracts the girls — basketball fan — everybody's favorite

SYLVIA PAULINE WARLICK

Artistic — black curls — warm smile

Rocket Staff 3, Art Editor 3; Annual Staff 3, 4, Asst. Art Ed. 3, Art Ed. 4; Most Likely to Succeed 4.

NORMA ANN VAUGHN

Basketball — liked by all — energetic

FHA 1, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Snack Bar 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Student Council 4; Most Athletic 4.

CAROL JEAN WARD

Original — baby-face — mischievous

Pep Club 1, 2, 3; Library Asst. 2, 3, 4; Snack Bar 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; FTA Pres. 4.

Seniors

FANNIE KERR WATERS

Nurse — fusses with hair — Ipana Smile

FHA 1, 2; Monogram Club 2, 3; Cheerleader 2, 3; Hall-we'en Carnival Queen 2; Queen's Court of Apple Festival 3; Rocket Staff 3; Dramatics 4; Snack Bar 3; Glee Club 3, 4, Vice Pres. 4; Annual Staff 4; Most Popular 4.

CLIFTON RAY YOUNG

Last on roll — unsettled — "Come in their sideways"

Beta Club 3, 4; Quietest 4.

REBA PAIRLEE WILSON

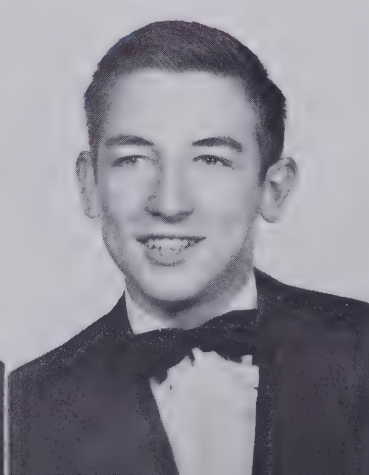
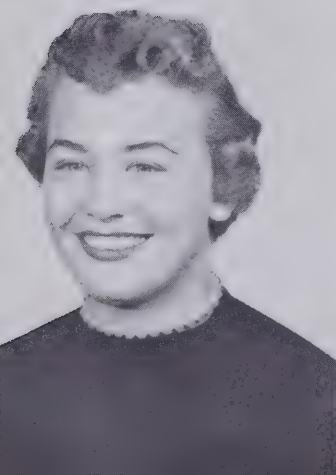
Sweet smile — pretty eyes — friendly ways

Glee Club 3.

Waters

Wilson

Young



*Best of luck
clay to all
wonderful leaders
in the future*

Mascots

These cute, little future students were chosen by the Seniors to be their mascots. It is easy to see why these two were elected to this honor. In future years may Carolyn Northington and Charles Lail look back and be proud of the class they represented as mascots.





Senior

Scholastic ability, character, popularity, and attractiveness are a few of many traits which go with the title "Best All Around." We are proud to say that Betty McGinnis and Billy Drake won by a landslide.

One of the highest titles of all the superlatives is that of the Most Likely to Succeed. Through their conscientious and diligent work Sylvia Warlick and Bobby Durham have shown their abilities to be awarded this title.



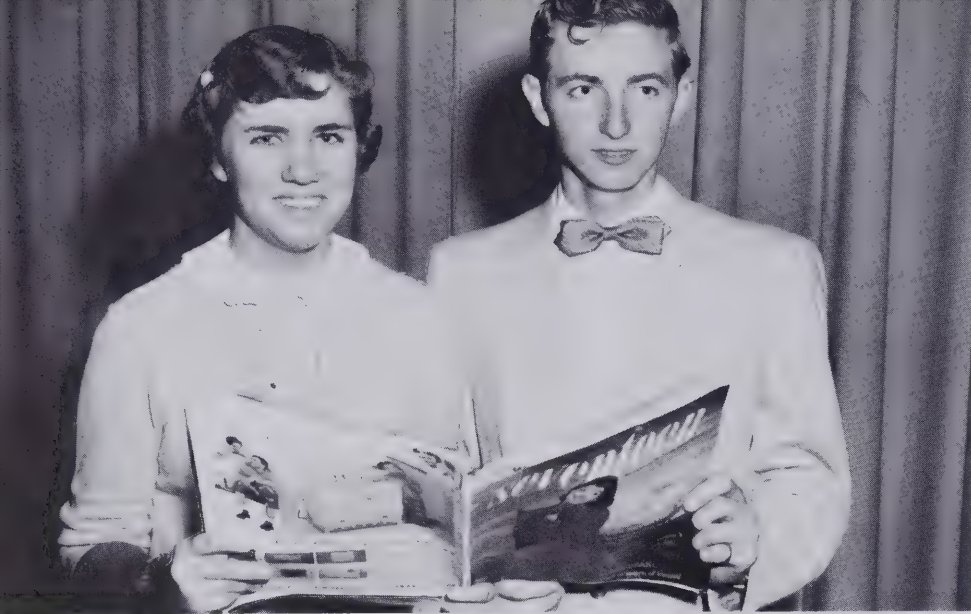
Superlatives



Her warm smile and his honest expression tells one that Fannie Kerr Waters and Jimmy Cox are the most popular seniors.

Brains alone are not implied to Phoebe Blackwell and Otis Jones, our Most Intellectual Seniors. Their personalities will serve to enhance their I. Q.





Senior

Maybe leading fashion magazines haven't discovered them as yet; but the Flat Rock seniors chose Mary Frances Blythe and Charles Sexton as Best Dressed.

Silence is golden—seen, but not heard. Both of these apply to Jeanette Jackson and Clifton Young who have been chosen as the Quietest from this year's graduating class.



Superlatives



Norma Lockaby and Elmer Hoots may not be either strikingly lovely or swooningly handsome but they were certainly in line for the cutest members of the senior class.

For their good humor, jovial manner, and bright smiles, we salute Vera Greer and Tommy Edwards as our Wittiest Seniors.



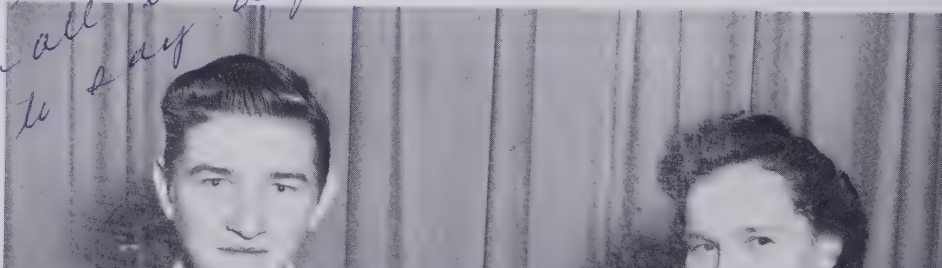
Because Annette Justus is just a "livin' doll" and Bruce McMahan one big hunk of man, it's only natural that they be chosen the Prettiest and Most Handsome.

Because of their incessant intrusion upon the more interested thoughts of their fellow students in such ways as whispering the latest gossip to their friends next door; drawing the most fascinating pictures; and finding many weird things to while the time away, Vera Greer and Julian Capps were chosen as Class Pests.

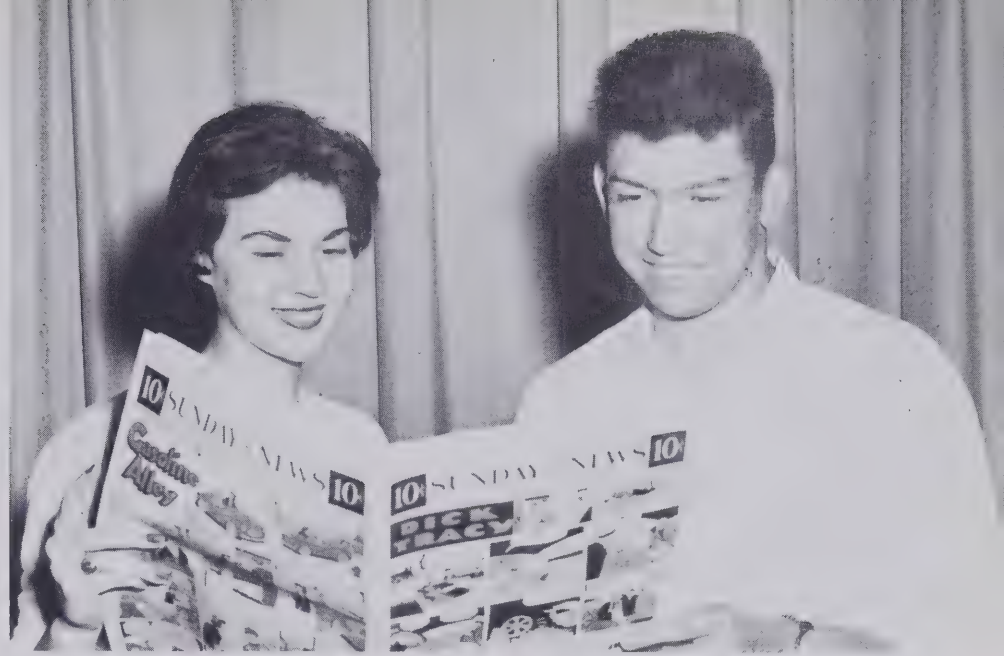
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I can not begin to put my feelings for you into words. I want to thank you for every thing you have realized has been a daily life and joy to me. I shall never forget you as a teacher and friend. I want to say again Thank You Vera Ann Greer

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Superlatives



Friends to all. Ruby Smith and T. D. McCarson possess that certain something which we all wish for. For their sparkling humor, eagerness in all they do, and their high standards, the class of '56 salutes you, Ruby and T. D., as having the Best Personality.

Although she's no Marilyn Monroe nor he a Charles Atlas, Jane Ann Erwin and Harry Hoxit have a figure and physique which would be the envy of many movie stars.



Mr. Sandburg shows his famous biography of Lincoln to Jeannette Nelson, Steve Hyder, and Breece Bennett.

Juniors

THE JUNIORS—They've made it at last. The officers are Breece Bennett, President; Jeannette Nelson, Vice President; and Steve Hyder, Secretary.

These Juniors have worked selling magazine subscriptions, keeping the Snack Bar and holding rummage sales.

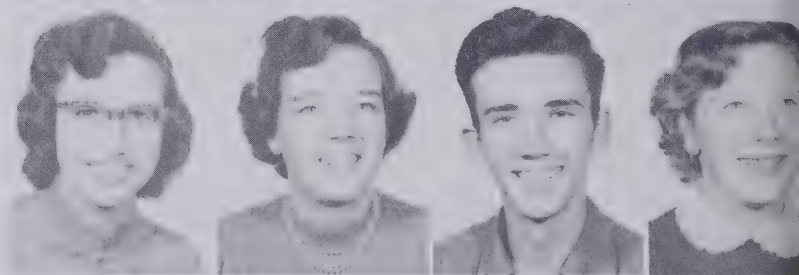
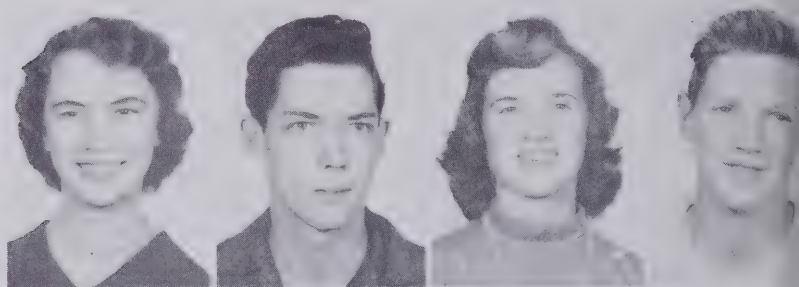
In the spring they ordered their class rings! Now they're really on their way to becoming seniors.

By sponsoring the Vagabond Players they brought in extra money for that great time—the SENIOR TRIP.

Of course, they will try to do more and better things than those who come before them—and they really might do it.

Invitations to the Beta Club if you keep that "B" steady—still studying American History at midnight (Where was the first battle of the Revolution fought?)—Chemistry (What is the atomic theory?)—and last but not least—French (Oui?)—are all part of life for the Juniors of Flat Rock High School.

Our Juniors have boosted this year's teams with Daniel Henderson, Billy Rikard, and Larry McCarson. Jean McGaha and Florence Hill are destined to lead the girls.



1st Row: Carolyn Ballard, Breece Bennett, Louise Bowen, Garland Burrell.

2nd Row: Maxine Brooks, Betty Cairnes, Lewis Cantrell, Myrtis Capps.

Juniors



1st Row, left to right: Nelda Capps, Sarah Case, Marvorean Coggins, Harold Connor, Betty Corne, Peggy Cox.

2nd Row: Lorali Cronkhite, Elizabeth Drake, Jimmie Gail Duncan, Elsie Edmundson, Norma Edney, Ann Gilreath.

3rd Row: Evans Hamilton, Barbara Harden, Jearl Harden, Jimmy Harden, Joan Heaton, Daniel Henderson.

4th Row: Thomas Henderson, Shirley Hicks, Florence Hill, Wayne Holbert, Carole Hoot, Leroy Hoots.

Juniors



1st Row, left to right: Paul Hoxit, Steve Hyder, Archie Jackson, Robert Jones, Vera Jean Jones, Charlotte Justice.

2nd Row: Jennie Kelly, Dickie King, Shelby King, Geraldine Landreth, Euva Levi, Fred Levi.

3rd Row: Glen Lindsey, Elsie Maybin, Larry McC Carson, Rex McCrary, Patricia McGraw, Jean McGaha.

4th Row: Emma Moore, Jimmy Morton.

Juniors



1st Row, left to right: Jimmy Myles, Jeannette Nelson, Dannie Joe Nicholson, Mary Ann Orr, Arnetta Osteen, Glenda Sue Osteen.

2nd Row: Greta Osteen, Sara Pace, Bertha Page, Charles Parris, Norman Parris, Clifford Pruitt.

3rd Row: Christeen Rhodes, Billy Rikard, Bill Rhymer, Dorothy Sizemore, Michael Stepp, Norma Jean Stepp.

4th Row: Joe Summey, John Summey.

Sophomores

Although this lively bunch are well represented in such events as basketball games, class gatherings, and school activities, they still find time for "Julius Caesar" and Algebra II.

They look forward to publishing *The Rocket*, hoping that by the end of next year they will be able to spout a few lines of French and to have a Junior-Senior that will top them all.

Looking back on the past two years, they see much progress. Year by year they become more important. To them there is but one goal—Seniors!

With Catherine Osteen, Norma Huggins, and Jackie Herman leading the class, how can they go wrong?

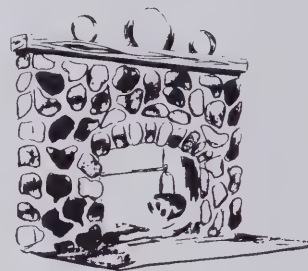


Mr. Sandburg shows the Lincoln life mask to Catherine Osteen, Norma Huggins and Jackie Herman.



First Row, left to right: Mary Etta Anders, Barbara Anderson, Donna Baines.

Second Row: Jerelene Ballard, Herman Barnwell, L. C. Baynard.



Sophomores



1st Row, left to right: Jo Ann Beddingfield, Joe Bell, Paula Bishop, Jo Ann Bradshaw, Mike Briscoe, Richard Brown.

2nd Row: Shirley Calloway, Betty Camp, Freida Camp, Glenn Camp, Harold Case, Calvin Coggins.

3rd Row: Floyd Cole, Martha Connell, James Corn, Norman Corn, Allene Curtis, Shirley Jean Dennis.

4th Row: Shirley Dimsdale, Jeannette Drake, Jo Ann Drake, Mary Lou Drake, Larrie Embler, Brenda Fowler.

5th Row: Ann Griffin, Tim Hawkins, Geraldine Heatherly, Monroe Heatherly.

Sophomores



1st Row, left to right: Jackie Herman, Linda Hicks, Wayne Hill, Billy Holbert, Rondall Hooper, Jere Hyder.

2nd Row: Norma Huggins, Dollie Jackson, Gail Jackson, Charles Johnson, Gayle Johnson, Jo Ann Jones.

3rd Row: Lulla Jones, Ray Jones, Sandra Jones, Donna Justice, Carroll Justus, Donnie Justus.

4th Row: Janice Kuykendall, Flossie Laughter, Norma Jean Lindsey, Linda Lockaby, Jimmy McAbee, Erma Jean McCarson.

5th Row: Grady McDowell, Gerald McMahan, Carl Middleton, Martha Mintz.

Sophomores



1st Row, left to right: Steve Morgan, Alice Moss, Barbara Mull, Ray Nix, Catherine Osteen, Clifford Osteen.
 2nd Row: Gerald Osteen, Jean Osteen, Sherby Osteen, Tyrone Osteen, Donnie Owens, Frank Pace.
 3rd Row: Jo Ann Pressley, Barbara Sexton, Eva Shuman, Theo Sitton, Carolyn Sluder, Barbara Sosebee.
 4th Row: Jesse Staton, Delene Summers, Betty Sue Summey, Joyce Summey, Marceilla Surret, Dixie Taylor.
 5th Row: Kenneth Walker, Kenny Ward, Elizabeth Willis, Marguerite Young.

Freshmen



The freshmen class officers, John McC Carson, *President*; Patty Hoots, *Vice president*; and Nolan Engle, *Secretary-treasurer*, are shown what Mr. Sandburg considers the best picture of Lincoln ever made.

Will they survive? They think not, but we know better. A few of us "older ones" could give them bits of good advice, but the proverb "Live and Learn" still stands.

They are getting used to high school ways which are not as difficult as they expected. They know their classmates fairly well but are still making friends.

They thought they understood arithmetic, but algebra I is impossible. One Home Ec. girl to another, "How do you put in a zipper?", "They ain't no need for us to take English another year!"; English teachers always have a very good reply for this one.

Wishing to finish school is all they think about now, but in a few years they will be wishing to be Freshmen once again.



Left to right: Inez Anders, Martha Jean Anders, Sally Anders, Robin Andrews, Mary Lou Baldwin, Alice Barnwell.

Freshmen

*But everything
D. W. Smith
teacher
Ralph Belcher
Bennison*



1st Row, left to right: Dan Barnwell, Elfrieda Baumberger, O'Keitha Beddingfield, Ralph Belcher, Elaine Bennison, James Blackwell.

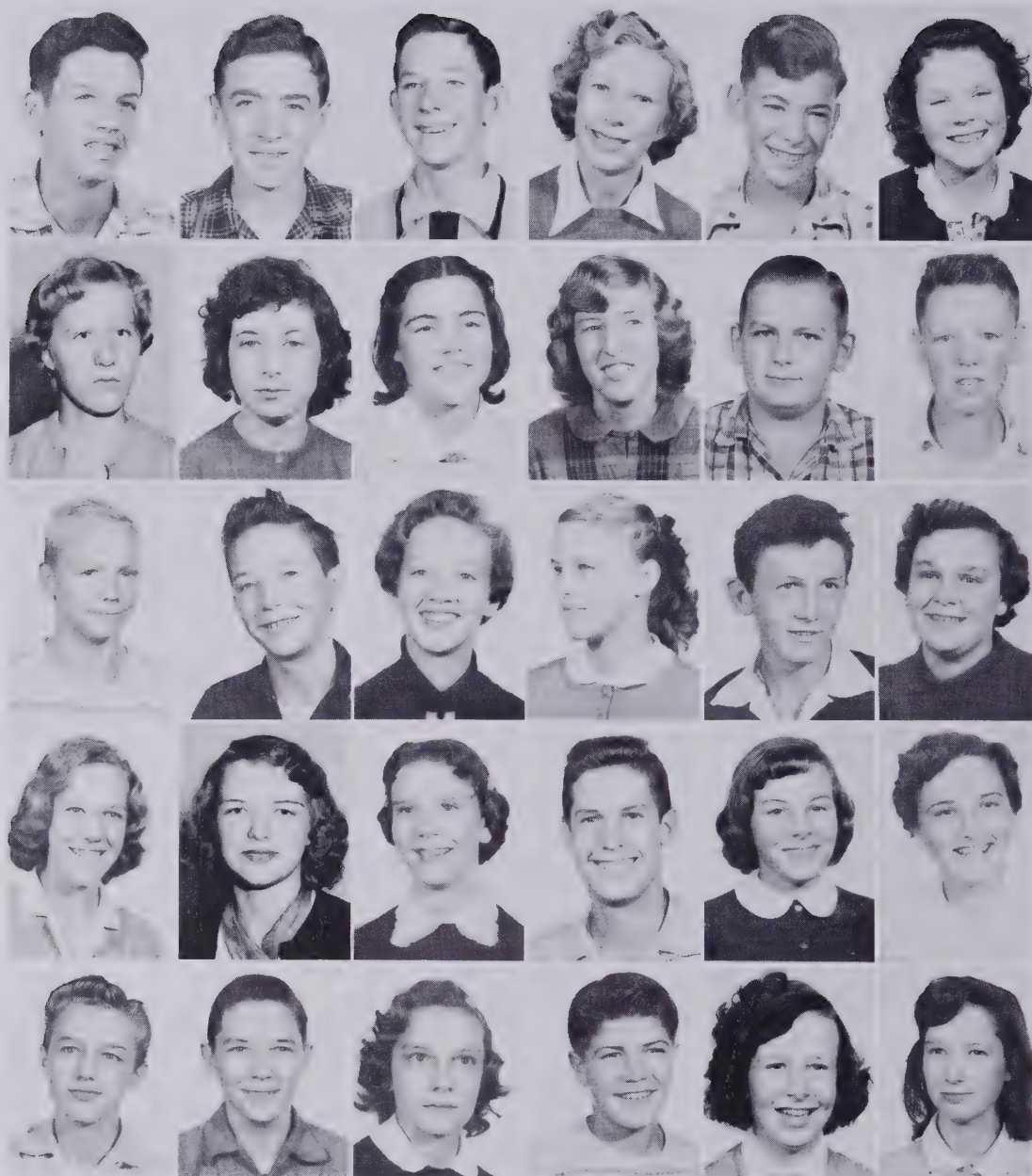
2nd Row: Mary Jane Bowen, Pauline Bowen, Mary Brian, Pat Briscoe, Jimmy Buckner, Jerry Calloway.

3rd Row: Jesse Cantrell, Donivie Camp, Arnan Capps, Carroll Capps, Leslie Capps, Jean Capps.

4th Row: Rita Case, Dottie Cleveland, Douglas Coggins, Blanche Collins, Elaine Corne, Lindal Davis.

5th Row: Ronnie Davis, Sally Drake, Carolyn Edney, Ellen Edney, Nelson Engle, Nolan Engle.

Freshmen



1st Row, left to right: Frank Erwin, James Erwin, Bill Ficker, Barbara Fisher, Donald Fisher, Peggy Fisher.
 2nd Row: Shirley Foster, Yvonne Glover, Mary Goins, Thelma Greene, Donald Guice, Fred Halford.
 3rd Row: Charles Don Hall, Dan Hall, Mary Heatherly, Ann Heaton, Robert Henderson, Charlotte Hessler.
 4th Row: Louise Hill, Myrtice Hill, Margie Honeycutt, James Hooper, Delynn Hoot, Patty Hoots.
 5th Row: Billy Huggins, Ray Hughey, Joyce Hyder, Cecil Jones, Ruth Jones, Genell Justice.

Freshmen



1st Row, left to right: Pearl Justice, Sonny Justus, Sarah Kittredge, David Kronenfield, Faye Landreth, Marie Laughter.

2nd Row: Frank Leonard, Mary Leonard, Audrey Levi, Mildred Levi, Hershall Lyda, Sherry Lytle.

3rd Row: Edmond Malski, Randy Mathews, Rachel Maybin, Evangeline Morgan, Evelyn Morgan, Mary Jo Morgan.

4th Row: Naomi Morgan, Vivian McAbee, John McC Carson, Jackie McClain, Ruth Ann Miller, Preston Mintz.

5th Row: Stella Nash, Jimmy Orr, Robert Orr, Mack Osteen, Reba Osteen, Michael Owensby.

Freshmen



1st Row, left to right: Harold Pace, Jean Parish, Evileen Parris, Joyce Parris, David Patterson, Margaret Patterson.

2nd Row: Margaret Prince, Sue Ransom, Ronny Redmond, Keith Rhodes, Jeff Robinson, Margaret Roper.

3rd Row: Lola Russell, Betty Rhymer, Marion Sexton, Carrol Shipman, Harold Shipman, Gloria Smith.

4th Row: Bobby Staton, Bobby Stepp, Robert Surrett, David Taylor, James Taylor, Morris Taylor.

5th Row: Joyce Ward, Scott Ward, Shirley Ward, Malvern West, Lester Wood, Mabel Young.

Eighth Grade

The future may look dim and uncertain, but every year their goal grows nearer and brighter. Their prospects of success are assured with Dale Justus, President; Allan Newman, Vice President; and Ruth Hill, Secretary-Treasurer, as their leaders.

Dale Justus, Ruth Hill and Allan Newman at the entrance to Mr. Sandburg's estate, Connemara Farm.



1st Row, left to right: Dieter Ambos, J. C. Anders, Dale Baines, Roy Ballard, Beatrice Bayne, Edrey Beddingfield.

2nd Row: Glenda Beddingfield, Knox Beddingfield, Mary Beddingfield, Ed Bell, Elaine Bishop, Jimmy Brian, Nora Bradley.

3rd Row: Carolyn Burns, David Cagle, Frances Cantrell, Norma Capps, Julia Case, Larry Case, Betty Jean Chandler.

4th Row: Kay Cleveland, Elizabeth Cochrane, Mildred Coggins, Linda Connell, Elaine Connor, Freida Corn, Norma Davis.

Eighth Grade



MAC DRAKE
CAROLYN DUNCAN
JAMES DUNCAN
DORIS FOULDS
CATHERINE FRANKLIN

DON FREEMAN
NANCY GARBER
TEMPIE GORDON
JOE HALFORD
GAIL HEATON

FREIDA HERMAN
BARBARA HILL
LAVADA HILL
RUTH HILL
RICHARD HOLBERT

ARCHIE HOXIT
NORMA JEAN HOWARD
FRANCIS HUNNICUTT
BETTY JOHNSON
DONALD JOHNSON

DOROTHY JOHNSON
ELLEN JOHNSON
JOHNNIE JOHNSON
WILLIAM JOHNSON
BETH JONES

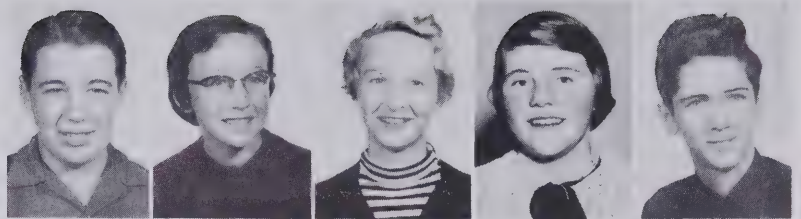
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KATHLEEN JONES
WALLACE JUSTUS
LARRY KUYKENDALL
PEGGY KUYKENDALL

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CLEO LEVI
SHELBY JEAN LEWIS
JACK LYNCH

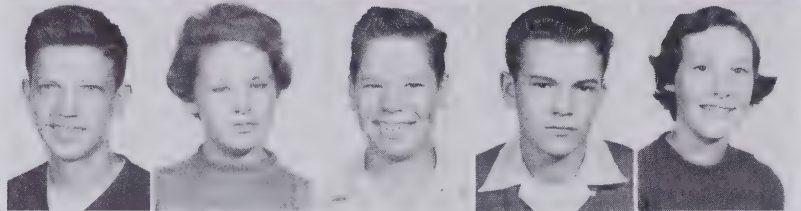
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CARL MAYBIN
DELPHENIA MAYBIN
NELLIE MAYBIN
MOZELLE McABEE

Eighth Grade

DICKIE McCALL
ANNETTE McCARSON
CAROLYN MOORE
MARGARET MOORE
ROBERT MOORE



HAROLD MORGAN
MARGARET ROSS
LLOYD MULLINAX
ALLAN NEWMAN
MARTHA ANN NEWMAN



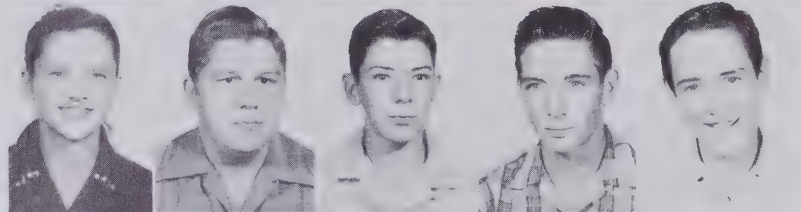
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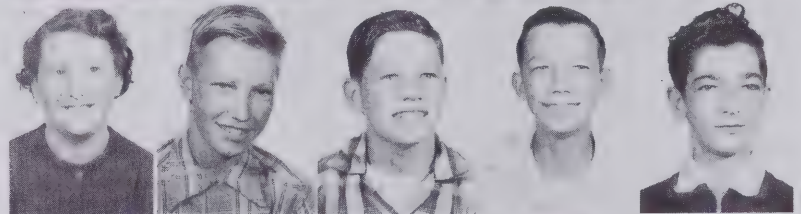
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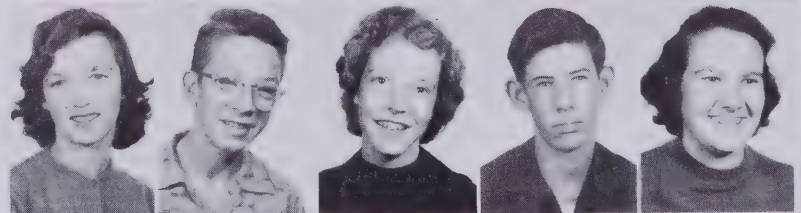
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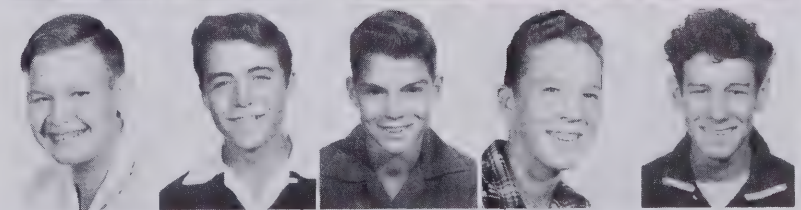
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WAYNE SUTTLES
DAVID TAYLOR
EDWIN TAYLOR



BARBARA THOMPSON
MAC THOMPSON
FRANCIS TROUTMAN
JAMES WADDELL
ELIZABETH WARLICK



RAY WHITE
DAN WILKIE
RAY WILKIE
EDWARD WISE
JIM WRIGHT



Student Council



*Mr. Rogers,
I have truly enjoyed
that I have never had a
teacher as sweet as you
are. I enjoyed working
with you so much and
you very much and
also my class. Thank
Council. I only wish
I could have signed
this a track in
next year.
Always,
Libby*

Officers

President BILLY DRAKE
Vice President LIBBY DRAKE
Secretary-Treasurer PHOEBE BLACKWELL
Sponsor MRS. ROGERS



The Flat Rock High School Student Council is the body of duly elected student officers who exercise the student government.

The membership is composed of the president, vice president, and secretary-treasurer of the student body and the president and vice president of all homerooms and organizations in the school.

The Student Council's purposes are to foster fellowship and cooperation among the students, to encourage activities, to develop a closer feeling of unity between the faculty and the students, to foster a high standard of sportsmanship, and to maintain a high standard of student conduct and dignity.

Taking over in assembly is just one of the many duties Billy Drake has as Student Council President.



We are proud of our Student Council and we appreciate the service given by each of its members.

FIRST ROW: Breece Bennett, Jeannette Nelson, Elizabeth Drake, Billy Drake, Phoebe Blackwell, Wilma Hill, Jimmy Cox.

SECOND ROW: Elsie Maybin, Barbara Hardin, Norma Vaughn, Alice Barnwell, L. C. Baynard, Jerry Hyder, Kenny Ward, Joe Bell, Daniel Henderson, Patricia McGraw, Helen Osteen, Scott Ward, Norma Huggins, Brenda Fowler, Barbara Mull, Catherine Osteen, Myrtis Capps.

THIRD ROW: Marion Sexton, Mack Drake, Elaine Corne, Patty Hoots, Dieter Ambos, Eveleen Parris, Keith Rhodes, Thomas Henderson, Allan Newman, Jimmy Buckner, Sally Anders, Dale Justus, Ruth Hill, Beth Jones, Carolyn Ballard.

F. T. A.

Our chapter of the Future Teachers of America was organized this year with Carol Ward as President; Norma Lockaby, Vice President; Phoebe Blackwell, Secretary; Jean Osteen, Treasurer; and Mrs. Goss, Sponsor.

The purpose of the F. T. A. is to help future teachers learn facts about and opportunities in teaching in their locality, the state, and in the nation. Character and student leadership are also stressed.

SEATED, left to right: Barbara Mull, Jane Ann Erwin, Norma Huggins, Norma Lockaby, Dottie Cleveland, Carolyn Edney, Emma Moore, Joe Bell. SECOND ROW: Jean Osteen, Sandra Jones, Ruby Smith, Anna Burns, Deanna Hill, Phoebe Blackwell, Carol Ward, Thomas Edwards. THIRD ROW: Ann Barnwell, Alice Barnwell, Barbara Anders, Montie Anders, Jeannette Nelson, Evangeline Morgan, Mary Frances Blythe, Mrs. Goss.





Editorial Staff

SEATED, left to right: Mary Frances Blythe, Jeannette Nelson, Wilma Hill, Martha Justus, Carol Ward, Montie Anders.

STANDING: Lorali Cronkhite, Jean Osteen, Sylvia Warlick.

The Parade

First things first. What will be the theme for the '56 Parade? Why not take one of our local attractions? Why not use a national attraction? At once we thought about Carl Sandburg. Who is associated with Carl Sandburg? Why, of course, Abraham Lincoln. The staff voted unanimously to dedicate the '56 Parade to Carl Sandburg and present Abe Lincoln throughout the annual as our theme.

Otis Jones, our Business Manager, went to work with his staff hoping to reach the goal we had planned for. Enthusiastically they reached the goal and over.

During the Editor's Roundtable at Cullowhee many things were stressed. One of the most important—more copy! Martha Justus, our Literary Editor, and her assistant, Lorali Cronkhite, moaned and started to work. Hours of thinking went into just a few paragraphs. A lot of credit goes to Mary Frances Blythe and Montie Anders for the typing that was done.

Carol Ward and Jean Osteen were very busy helping Juanita Wilson, our photographer, give us that professional look.

Laying out the dummy, breaking in the assistant Editor, Jeannette Nelson, taking secret jaunts up to Mr. Sandburg's and seeing that everything went right were jobs for our gal Wilma.

We mustn't overlook one of the most important staff members, Sylvia Warlick. Due to her hard work and artistic ability we hope that our '56 Parade will prove to be the best yet.

Thanks to our sponsor, Mr. Kilpatrick, editing the Parade was a pleasant chore.

Otis Jones, Business Manager; and Wilma Hill, Editor; look through old annuals with Mr. Kilpatrick, sponsor; to get ideas for the PARADE which they hope will be the best yet.



Otis Jones engineered the advertising campaign for the 1956 PARADE. Backed by his hard working business staff, they were off at every opportunity to visit all the advertising prospects in and around Hendersonville. Some got real energetic and went as far as Greenville.

Our gratitude is extended to you, members of the business staff, for your hard work.



Here Otis and Mr. L. Y. Biggerstaff of the Coca-Cola Bottling Company discuss an advertisement in the '56 PARADE.

Staff



Business Staff

Seated, left to right: Fannie Kerr Waters, Betty McGinnis, Norma Lockaby, Jane Ann Erwin. Standing: Billy Drake, Jimmy Cox, Tommy Edwards, Vera Ann Greer, Thomas Henderson, Otis Jones.

Selling annuals to students who buy their PARADE early is one of Otis's more pleasant tasks.



The Beta Club is an honor society which Flat Rock can well be proud of. Maintaining a B average is one of the many requirements for membership in the club.

Conventions are numerous. Mars Hill and Asheville are the sites of many of our meetings. Entertainment is always one of the highlights of these meetings.

Selling school supplies, popcorn, at the ball games, and substitute teaching are profit making projects. The Betas not only help the school financially but in leadership.

Led by Wilma Hill, Phoebe Blackwell, and Norma Lockaby, and under the sponsorship of Mrs. Catherine Crawford, the Flat Rock Betas prove to be leaders in scholarship and character.



Forming our B for BETA on the left from top to bottom: Bobby Durham, Steve Hyder, Otis Jones, Billy Drake, Geraldine Landreth, Sarah Case, Carolyn Belcher, Clifton Young.

Forming the top loop: Montie Anders, Ann Barnwell, Wilma Hill, Lorali Cronkhite, Jeannette Nelson, Betty McGinnis, Florence Hill, Anna Burns, Martha Justus, Shirley Hicks, Norma Lockaby.

Forming the bottom loop: Mary Louise Johnson, Carol Ward, Mary Frances Blythe, Emma Moore, Jane Ann Erwin, Myrtis Capps, Phoebe Blackwell and our sponsor, Mrs. Crawford.

Seated: Jennie Kelly, Ann Gilreath.

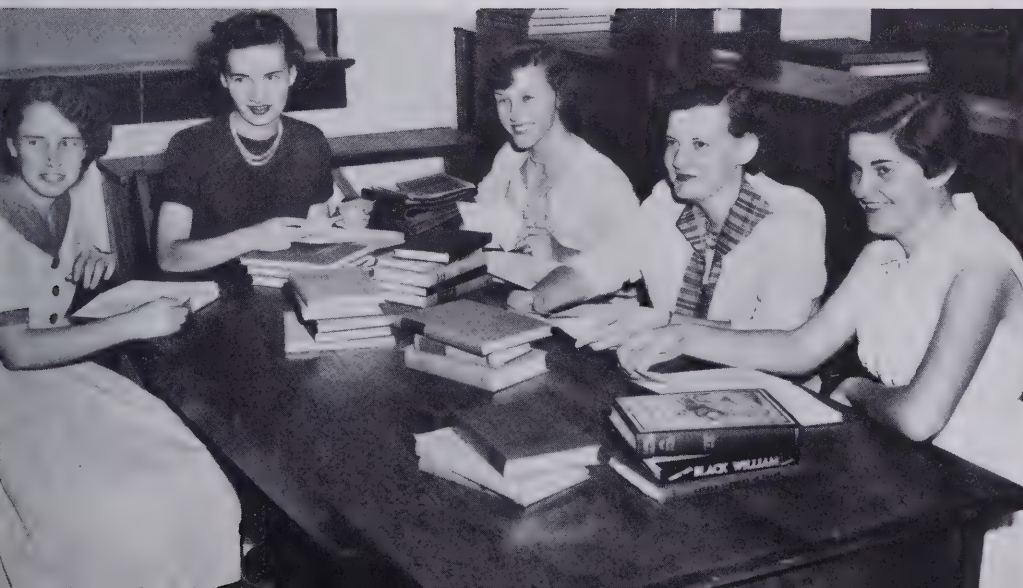
Standing: Lulla Jones, Barbara Lee Anders, Patricia McGraw.



Library Assistants

The duties of these young ladies are numerous and often very nerve-racking. Some of these duties are checking books in and out of the library and returning them to the shelves. Often they are called upon to help someone find a book that he would like to read, or to collect fines for overdue books, and sometimes do various errands for the librarian.

Mr. Kilpatrick, Deanna Hill, Carol Ward.



Seated, left to right: Dixie Taylor, Sarah Case, Shelby King, Nelda Capps, Flossie Laughter.

The Rocket



Seated, left to right: Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Meador, Emma Moore, Lorali Cronkhite, Carolyn Ballard, Breece Bennett.

Standing: Myrtis Capps, John Summey, Dickie King, Thomas Henderson, Libby Drake.

Those hard working students and advisors who put out the monthly news make up the Rocket staff.

We often see any number of persons scurrying up and down the halls. If they seem too preoccupied to speak, they're almost certain to be members of the Rocket Staff.

When shouts of glee are heard coming from the Business Department everyone knows that the first page of the current edition has come off the machine and all are breathing sighs of relief.

CAROLYN BALLARD, *Business Manager*

MRS. MEADOR, *Sponsor*

LORALI CRONKHITE, *Editor*

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Staff



Gathering the news of our school is a big job, but this group of reporters gets the task done efficiently.

SEATED, left to right: Geraldine Landreth, Florence Hill, Peggy Cox, Vera Jones, Louise Bowen, Floyd Cole, Ann Gilreath.

SECOND ROW: Norma Stepp, Carole Hoot, Euva Levi, Barbara Hardin, Greta Osteen, Jeannette Nelson, Sara Pace, Betty Cairnes.

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We spend many hours in cutting stencils, running them off on the mimeograph machine, and then putting the sheets together. Then we proudly present the latest copy of *The Rocket*.

SEATED, left to right: Dale Hessler, Elsie Maybin, Joan Heaton, Betty Cairnes, Shelby King.

STANDING: Nelda Capps, Arnetta Osteen, Bertha Page, Emma Moore.





Receptionists

FIRST ROW: Greta Osteen, Carolyn Bennison, Vera Jean Jones, Carolyn Ballard, Mary Frances Blythe, Norma Stepp, Maxine Brooks.

SECOND ROW: Jo Ann Lewis, Betty Cairnes, Vera Greer, Sandra Jones, Bertha Page, Sara Case.

THIRD ROW: Lulla Jones, Barbara Lee Anders, Mary Anders, Lorali Cronkhite, Mrs. Meador, adviser.

FOURTH ROW: Carole Hoot, Jane Duncan.

"Flat Rock High School." That is the magic phrase spoken over the telephone to whomever happens to be calling the school.

You will always find a polite and accurate (to the best of their knowledge) answer to any question that you may put to them, and these girls are the ones responsible for putting out the absence list.

All day long, any period of the day these girls greet you when you enter the office. Their smiles and manners always give you a lift and make you glad to be even a small part of the school.



Mrs. Meador watches as Emma Moore takes a telephone message and Mary Frances Blythe works the inter-communication.



Bertha Page and Lorali Cronkhite are experts at putting out the absence list.

Glee Club

"We could use a few more boys" is a phrase often heard at Glee Club practice. After an absence of four years, Mr. David Huff returned finding the girls much more represented than the boys. Under Mr. Huff's direction the club proved to be successful. On all occasions they were ready with appropriate songs and beautiful arrangements. Let's hope that the Flat Rock Glee Club continues down the Road to Success.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Fannie Kerr Waters, Vice President; Jane Ann Erwin, Librarian; Billy Drake, President; and Norma Lockaby, Secretary.

FIRST ROW: Dannie Joe Nicholson, Scott Ward, Billy Huggins, Ralph Belcher, James Erwin, Garland Burrell, Billy Drake, Dickie King, Billy Rikard, Kenneth Case, Thomas Henderson, Bill Rhymer, Albert Jones, Joe Bell, Malvern West.

SECOND ROW: Annette Justus, Delene Summers, Jane Ann Erwin, Martha Justus, Norma Lockaby, Fannie Kerr Waters, Carolyn Bennison, Vera Ann Greer, Jeannette Drake, Jean Osteen, Linda Lockaby, Alice Moss, Norma Huggins, Larrie Embler, Greta Osteen.

THIRD ROW: Mr. Huff, Sponsor; Peggy Fisher, Evangeline Morgan, Alice Barnwell, Carolyn Edney, Mary Jo Morgan, Kitty Hardin, Betty McGinnis, Norma Vaughn, Helen Osteen, Ruby Smith, Montie Anders, Sarah Case, Loralie Cronkhite, Anna Burns, Myrtis Capps, Carolyn Belcher, Jo Ann Lewis, Arnetta Osteen, Elsie Maybin.

FOURTH ROW: Margie Hunnicutt, Pauline Bowen, Mary Leonard, Catherine Osteen, Brenda Fowler, Molly Freeman, Barbara Kuykendall, Ann Barnwell.





F. H. A.

FIRST ROW: Shirby Osteen, Arnetta Osteen, Greta Osteen, Lorali Cronkhite, Delene Summers, Emma Moore, Shelby King, Florence Hill.

SECOND ROW: Jeannette Nelson, Bertha Page, Barbara Sosebee, Nelda Capps, Euva Levi, Carolyn Ballard, Myrtis Capps, Elsie Maybin, Geraldine Landreth, Patricia McGraw, Mrs. Davidson, Sponsor.

THIRD ROW: Freida Camp, Kitty Hardin, Ann Gilreath, Carole Hoot, Jo Ann Lewis, Carolyn Belcher, Jean Osteen, Joan Heaton.

These future homemakers are to be saluted. They have worked long in the continuous struggle to learn how to become efficient housekeepers in the years to come.

All the members have carried out projects as both national and state duties; as well as those who have worked towards and earned degrees in homemaking.

In the years to come these members may attend FHA meetings of their daughters and hear the familiar phrase—"We, the Future Homemakers of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope."—and remember their own experiences in this organization.



FIRST ROW: Mrs. Davidson, Sponsor; Florence Hill, Reporter; Myrtis Capps, Vice President; Carolyn Ballard, President; Delene Summers, Song Leader; Emma Moore, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer.

SECOND ROW: Kitty Hardin, Parliamentarian; Jean Osteen, Treasurer; Elsie Maybin, Secretary; Carolyn Belcher, Pianist; Patricia McGraw, Historian.



FIRST ROW: Paula Bishop, Barbara Kuykendall, Molly Freeman, Ann Barnwell, O'Keitha Beddingfield, Charlotte Hessler, Eveleen Parris, Jean Capps, Sarah Case.

SECOND ROW: Joyce Ward, Ann Griffin, Sally Drake, Elaine Corne, Martha Anders, Gloria Smith, Shirley Dennis, Shirley Foster, Rita Case, Naomi Morgan, Delynn Hoot, Patty Hoots, Mary Heatherly, Sally Anders, Sue Ransom.

THIRD ROW: Gaynelle Justice, Yvonne Glover, Margaret Prince, Evangeline Morgan, Shirley Ward, Louise Hill, Betty Corne, Ruth Miller, Faye Landreth, Sarah Kittredge, Mary Anders, Mabel Young, Joyce Hyder, Dottie Cleveland.



FIRST ROW, SEATED: Frank Leonard, Preston Mintz, Grady McDowell, Calvin Coggins, Harold Shipman, Carroll Justice, Denver Beddingfield, Wayne Hill, Douglas Coggins, Floyd Cole, Robert Henderson, Harold Pace, Eugene Lindsey.

SECOND ROW, KNEELING: Clifford Pruitt, Mac Osteen, Carroll Capps, David Taylor, Mike Briscoe, Randy Matthews, Sonny Justice, Raybon Maybin, Donald Justice, Julian Capps, Roland Case, James Taylor

THIRD ROW: Jesse Staton, Charles Johnson, Albert Jones, Kenneth Walker, Carroll Shipman, James Erwin, Robin Andrews, Jere Hyder, Charles Sexton, Fred Halford, Lindal Davis.

FOURTH ROW: Monroe Heatherly, Stephen Morgan, Daniel Henderson, Charles Hodges, Ronnie Redmond, Jimmy Morton, Bobby Stepp, Jimmie Hardin, William Wise, Robert Surret, Jimmy McAbee, Mr. Franklin.

F. F. A.

These boys work hard and long on projects and farm and home chores.

There are national projects that are to be carried out and also the boys have individual degrees to work for. The last one being obtained after one has graduated from high school.

We salute these boys for the constant work for better farms, homes, and communities now as well as in the future.



Leading our chapter of the F. F. A. are seated, left to right: Mr. Franklin, Adviser; Jere Hyder, Vice President; Thomas Henderson, President; Daniel Henderson, Reporter; and Donald Justice, Secretary.

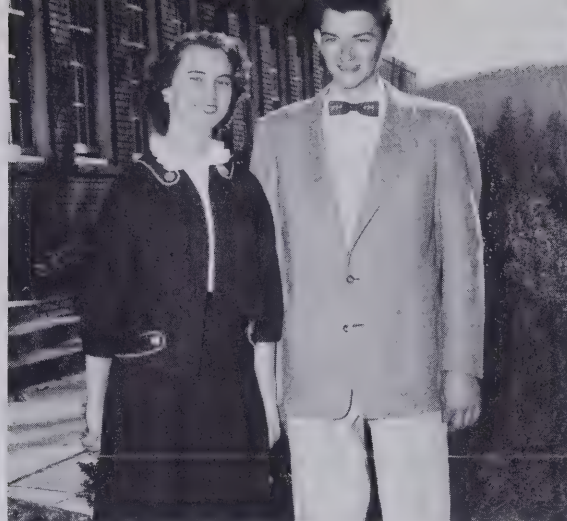
STANDING ARE: Roland Case, Treasurer; and Wayne Hill, Sentinel.



One of Mr. Franklin's duties as the teacher of vocational agriculture is to check on the students' projects. This fine heifer belongs to Jere Hyder.



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KING AND QUEEN
LINDA LOCKABY
BILLY HOLBERT



JUNIORS
CAROLYN BALLARD
DANIEL HENDERSON



SOPHOMORES
LINDA LOCKABY
BILLY HOLBERT

Carnival Candidates

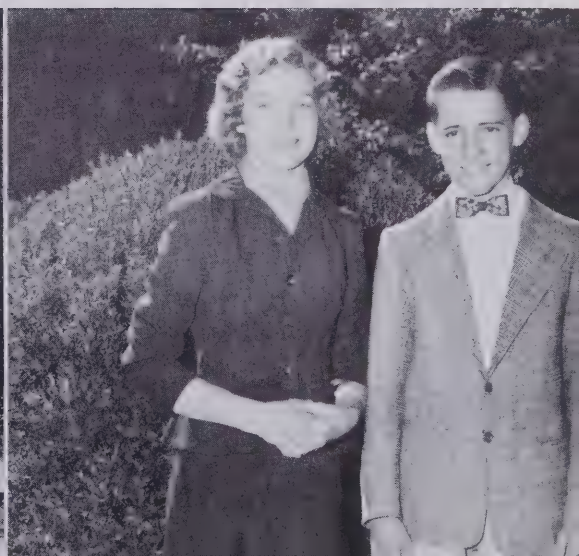
These are the students who were chosen by their classmates as candidates for the king and queen of the Hallowe'en Carnival. Linda Lockaby and Billy Holbert were the Winners.



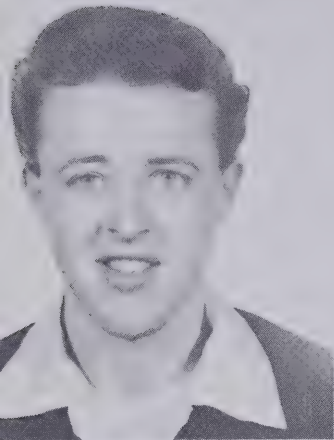
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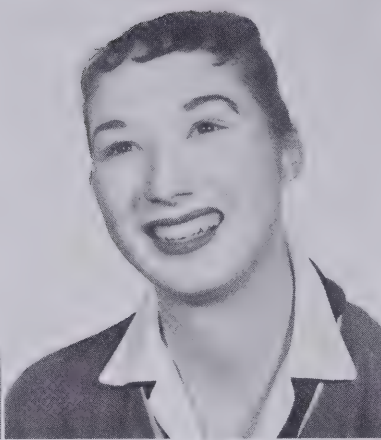
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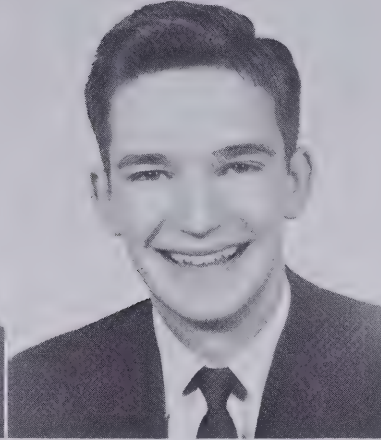
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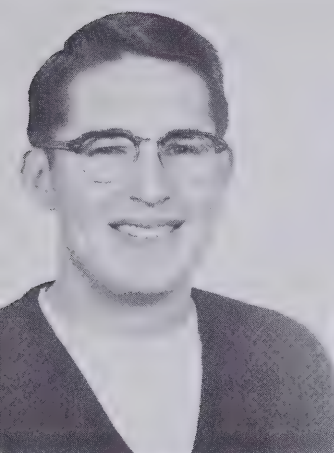
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Salutatorian



BILLY DRAKE
Citizenship



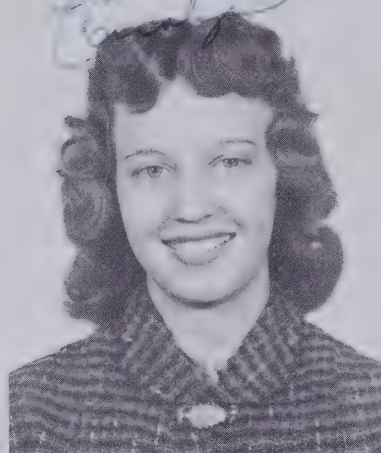
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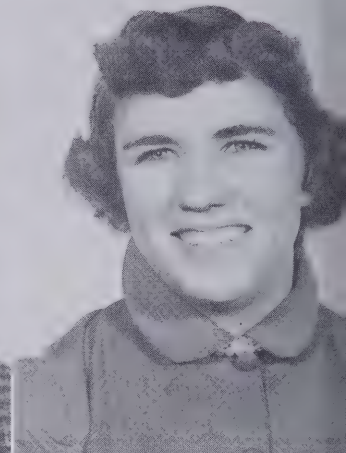
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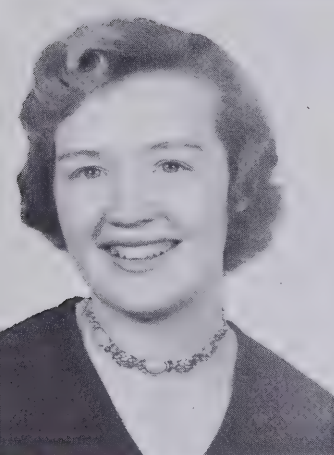
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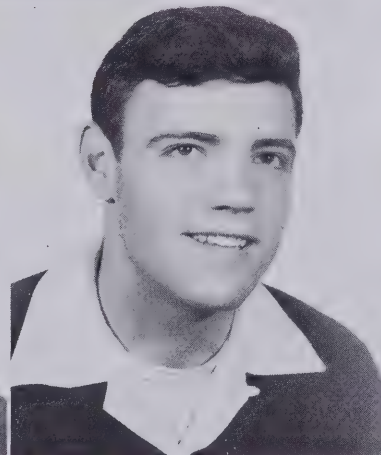
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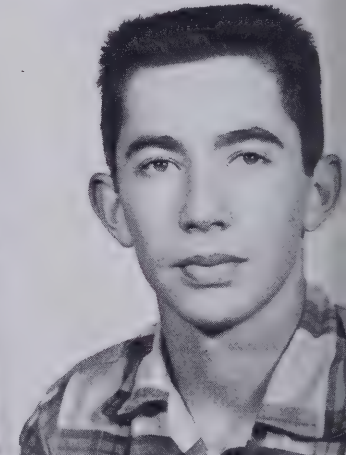
NORMA VAUGHN
Athletics



HARRY HOXIT
Athletics



JEAN OSTEEN
Biology



JOE BELL
Biology



Miss Hi Miss

Each year, *The Johnsonian*, student newspaper of Winthrop College, gives recognition to North and South Carolina high school senior girls chosen by some school group as outstanding in scholarship, leadership, character, and personal attractiveness.

The BETA CLUB chose WILMA HILL, one of our most outstanding senior girls, as this year's Miss Hi Miss.



Our thanks to Mr. Freeman, Girls' Coach; Betty McGinnis, Girls' Manager; Mr. Rogers, Boys' Coach; Jean Osteen, Scorekeeper; Breece Bennett, Boys' Manager. These are the ones we cannot do without.

Athletics

For their sportsmanship, vitality, and ability, Norma Vaughn and Harry Hoxit, our Most Athletic Seniors, symbolize the "Flat Rock Blue Devils."



Baseball Team

Each fall and spring "the crack of the bat" is a familiar sound on our baseball field. It goes without saying that games with other schools create much interest and draw many fans.

Although none of them may ever take part in the World Series, we are really proud of these fighting Blue Devils.



Dannie Joe Nicholson won't get this ball because "Slugger" Case will make it a "homer".

The members of our team are as follows: *First row, left to right:* Billy Holbert, Dannie Joe Nicholson, Billy Drake, Jimmy Cox, Morris Taylor, Nelson Engle, Nolan Engle, Mr. Rogers.
Second row: T. D. McCarson, Norman Corn, Robert Orr, Stephen Morgan, Malvern West, Jesse Cantrell.
Third row: Kenneth Case, Evans Hamilton, Billy Rikard, Steve Hyder, Elmer Hoots.





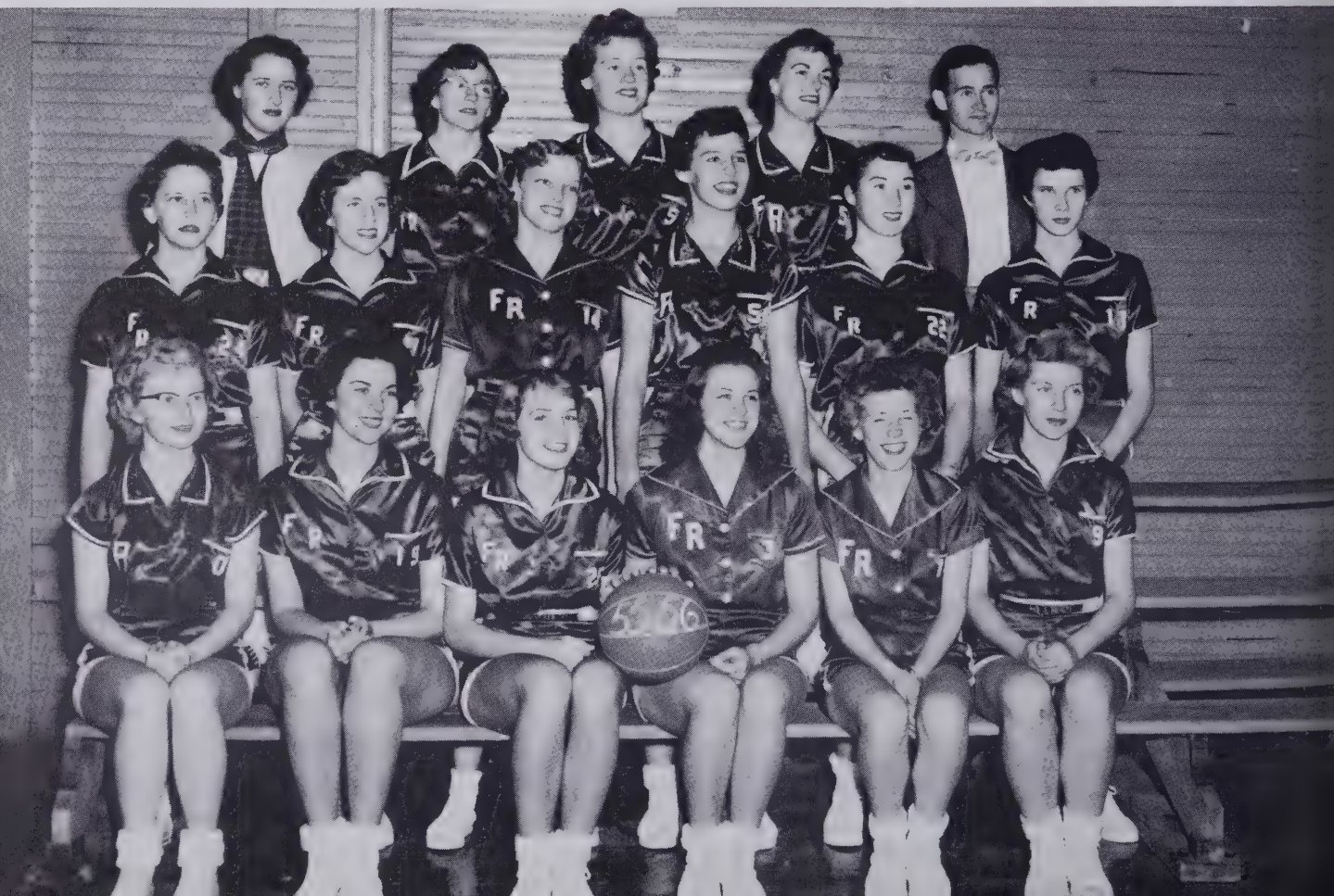
Girls' Basketball

Games are only half the story of being a good team, there are practice sessions the afternoon you had planned a shopping trip with some of the girls, or the night you had planned to take in a movie.

The unsung heroines, the managers, are always there on duty to do their part to keep the team running smoothly and efficiently.

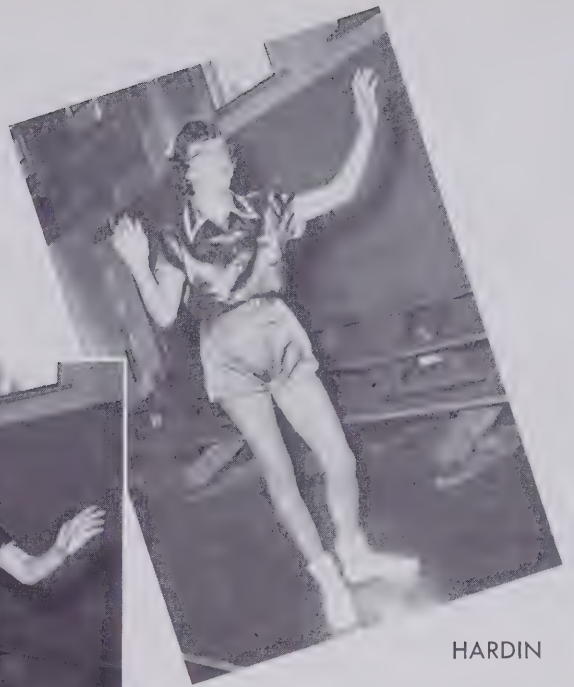
We are proud of these girls and think the team did a good job this year. They have set a standard for the future teams.

1st Row: Barbara Mull, Ruby Smith, Catherine Osteen, Florence Hill, Sherby Osteen, Jean McGaha.
 2nd Row: Norma Lockaby, Martha Justus, Brenda Fowler, Alice Moss, Montie Anders, Eva Shuman.
 3rd Row: Betty McGinnis, Kitty Hardin, Norma Vaughn, Helen Osteen, Mr. Freeman.





ANDERS



HARDIN

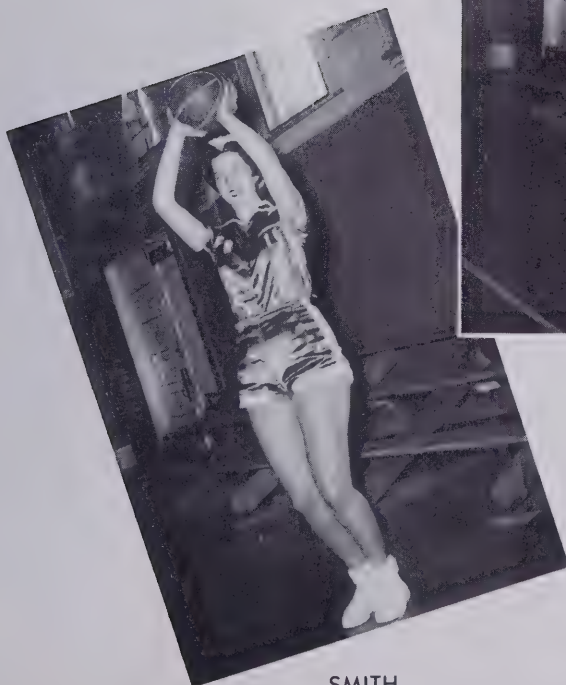


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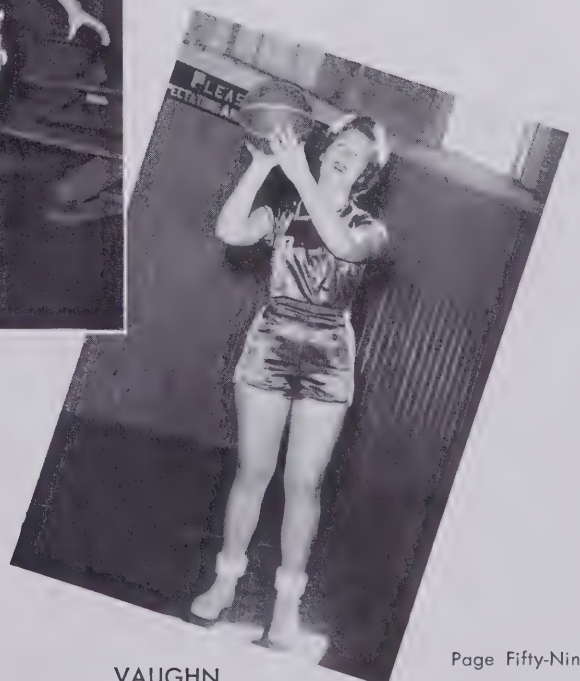
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SMITH



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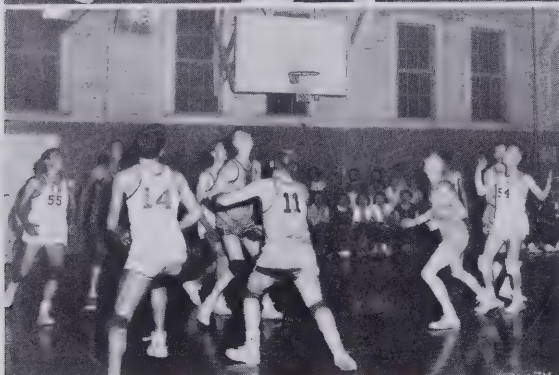
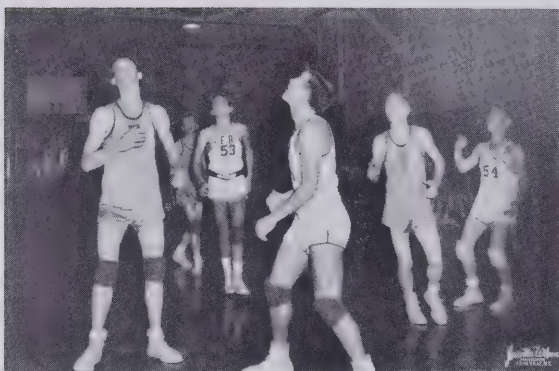


1st Row: Jere Hyder, Joe Bell, Billy Drake, Billy Rikard, Richard Brown.

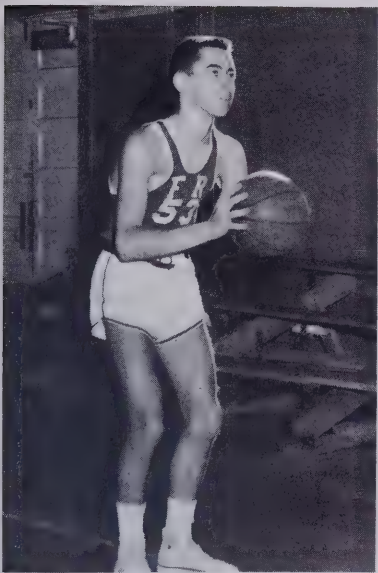
2nd Row: Mr. Rogers, Daniel Henderson, Larry McCarson, Kenny Ward, T. D. McCarson, Evans Hamilton.

3rd Row: Harry Hoxit, Breece Bennett, Herman Barnwell, Jimmy Cox, Paul Hoxit.

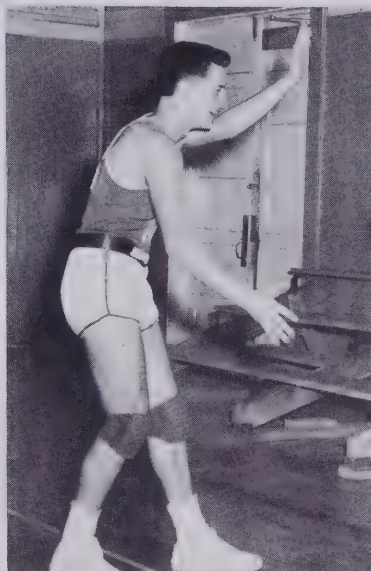
Boys' Basketball



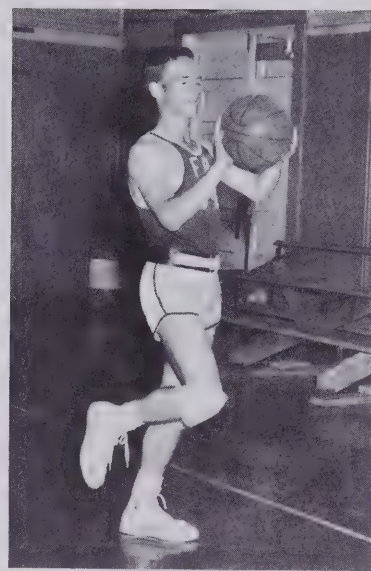
When the Flat Rock Blue Devils take to the hardwood you are sure to see plenty of action. This band of determined young men under the guidance of Mr. Neil Rogers have team spirit and a true liking for basketball.



BELL



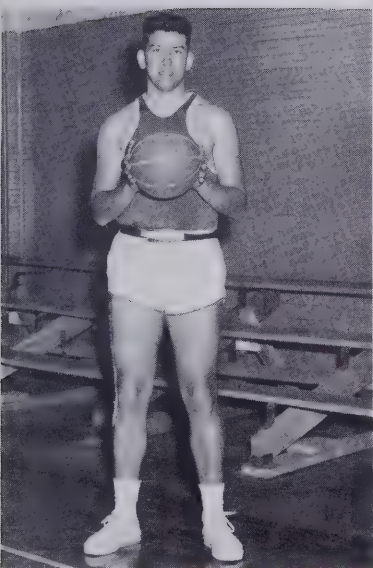
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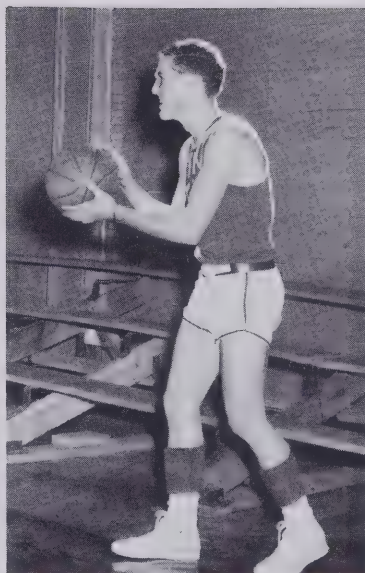
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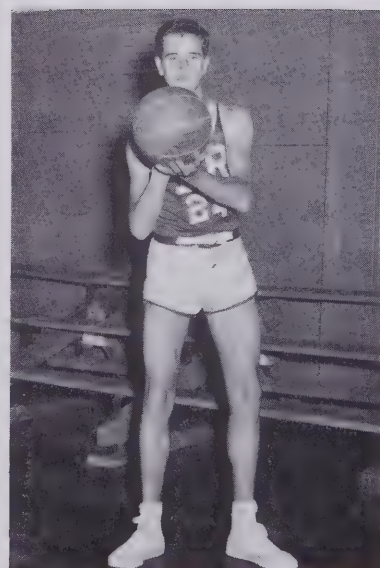
Team



McCARSON



HOXIT



WARD



Glenda Sue Osteen, Larrie Embler, Libby Drake, Janice Kuykendall, Gloria Smith, Vera Jean Jones, Erma McC Carson.

Cheerleaders

"Signals, one—two—Flat Rock Blue Devils are Hard to Beat". The Flat Rock Cheerleaders are always ready with an appropriate cheer. Winning or losing they cheer with spirit.

Days of preparation go into the final practice when a select few will be chosen cheerleaders. Uncle Bill with the help of teachers and students alike, have a rough time selecting the "cream of the crop."

We, the students of Flat Rock High School, would like to thank each of the cheerleaders for their moral support. Thanks, Libby, Vera, Larrie, Gloria, Janice, Glenda, Erma Jean, and Mary Lou.



Peppy little Mary Lou Baldwin does a split.



Cheerleaders

Libby Drake, Larrie Emblar, Erma McCarson, Vera Jean Jones, Gloria Smith, Janice Kuykendall, Glenda Sue Osteen.

Monogram Club

Having won letters and qualified as members of our Monogram Club are:

1st Row: Glenda Sue Osteen, Jimmie Gail Duncan, Martha Justus, Mary Lou Baldwin, Jean Osteen, Catherine Osteen, Ruth Miller.

2nd Row: Florence Hill, Jean McGaha, Norma Lockaby, Libby Drake, Alice Moss, Betty McGinnis, Helen Osteen, Norma Vaughn.

3rd Row: Mr. Freeman, Herbert Fischer, Billy Rikard, Harry Hoxit, Dannie Joe Nicholson, Mr. Rogers.

4th Row: Stephen Morgan, Elmer Hoots, Norman Corn, T. D. McCarson, Billy Drake, Jimmy Cox.



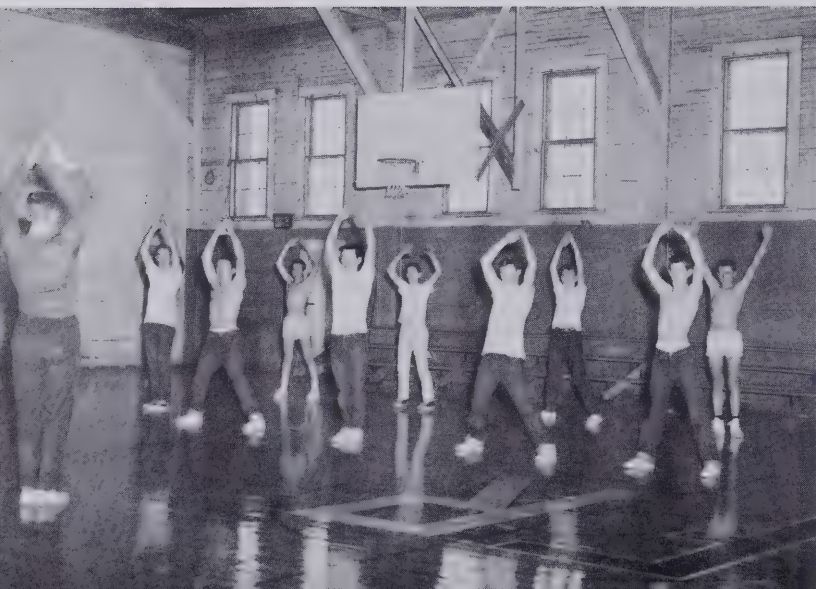
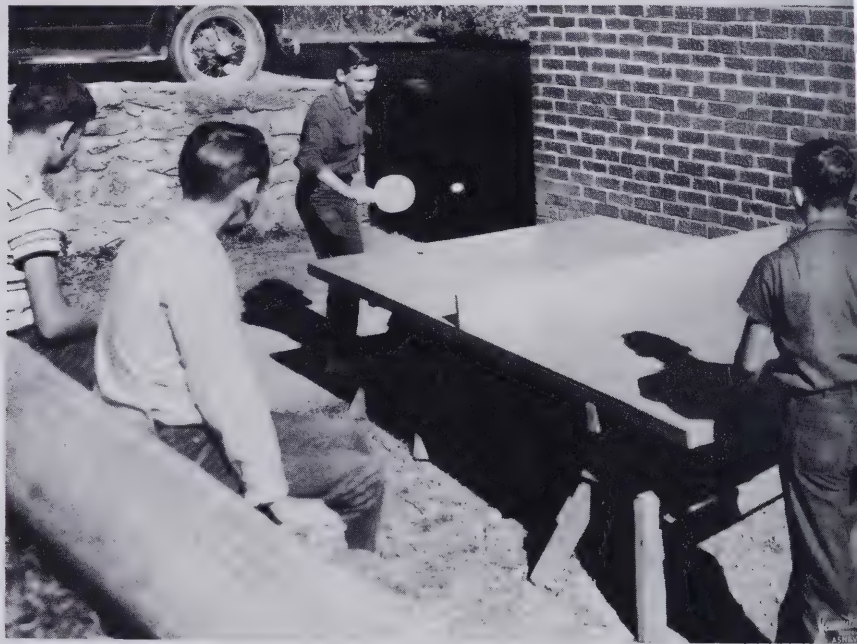


Tether Ball

"I'll play the winner!" This expression is frequently heard from those who gather to play tetherball.

Ping Pong

Ping pong continues to be a favorite game at Flat Rock. Someone is always waiting for his turn.



Gym Class

One, two, three, four. One, two, three, four. Let's hope there are no sore muscles after this gym class.

Lunchroom

The lunchroom is a happy place at meal-time. The line forms quickly for we are eager to get our food. We are glad for an opportunity to visit with our friends.



Lunch Room Ladies

When the 12:30 bell rings you can hear the familiar cry "Soup's on!" We can always expect a well-rounded meal served in a familiar atmosphere. Here are the ladies who make it possible: Mrs. Zoda Hawkins, Mrs. Mary P. Johnson, Mrs. Leona Mansfield, and Mrs. Lula M. Jones.

Snack Bar

If you are starving for a bar of candy or craving a "Coke," then the Junior Snack Bar is the place for you to head. The Junior Class receives the profits from the Snack Bar and uses them to pay for the Junior-Senior Banquet.





Bus Drivers

Seeing that we arrive at school on time and that we reach home safely are the primary functions of the bus drivers. Rex Freeman, Columbus Anders, Mac Justus, Neil Rogers, Elmer Levi, and Nathaniel Maybin deserve our recognition for their efficiency.



Custodian

Hats off to a man who is untiring in his efforts to keep us warm and to keep our surroundings sanitary and clean. You often hear such remarks as "He's the best that's ever been."



A basic element in the production of a successful yearbook is good photography. Our photographer, Miss Juanita Wilson, has contributed more to the 1956 PARADE than just good pictures. She has given us many valuable ideas and practical suggestions.

During the visit to Mr. Sandburg's home to make some of the pictures used in this book, Mr. Sandburg showed Miss Wilson a copy of a biography he had written entitled *Steichen, the Photographer*.

Juanita Wilson
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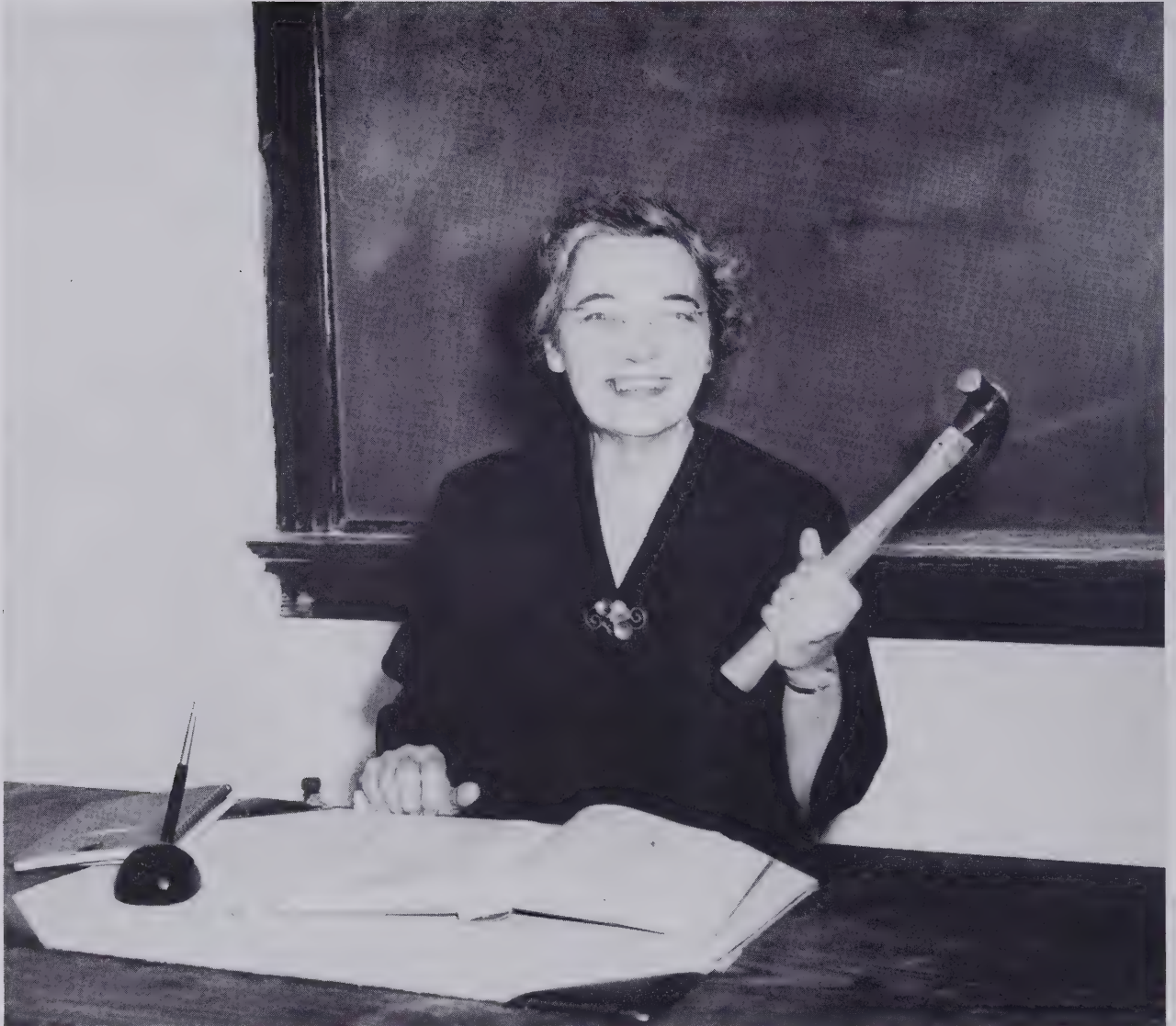
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